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From: "Lynne Eckardt" <midfarm@bestweb.net>

Date: Fri Jan 23, 2004 10:17 am

Subject: Southeast Town Board Meeting Recap

Hello All,

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Below is an abbreviated recap of last night's Town Board meeting. Official minutes should be available within the next two weeks at Town Hall.

Brief comments follow.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

7:30: NO PARKING, NICHOLS ROAD

This was very heavily attended. After several comments on shot gun hunting the Board reminded the public that the only subject open to discussion was the posting of 'No Parking' signs along Nichols Road.

Residents on Rockledge Drive and Coventry Lane voiced there concern, anger and frustration with continued incidents of irresponsible hunting.

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Hunters echoed concern and also pointed out that without legal gun hunting traffic accidents and landscape damage incurred by deer would dramatically increase. Hunters mentioned that they'd like to be 'part of the solution.'

The possibility of setting up an advisory committee to effect solutions to this continuing problem was raised.

7:31: RIDGELINE PROTECTION LAW: There were no comments.

7:32: EXTENSION OF THE COMMERCIAL MORATORIUM:
There were no comments on this 6 month extension.

7:33: EXTENSION OF THE SIGN MORATORIUM: The question asked on this and all other zoning changes was regarding the public's right to have the time to review all proposed changes. Supervisor Dunford promised that there would be a full month to review changes made. Most likely this will be in March.

7:33: SPECIAL PERMIT- PALAZETTI OFFICE/WAREHOUSE, Fields Lane: The special permit needed is for the storage aspect of this project. Comments concerned the environmental problems with this project (steep slopes and wetlands) that had not been resolved. The Board decided to put this

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permit on hold until
all issues have been resolved.

2. February Meetings dates are as follows:

February 5: Work Session

February 12: Regular Meeting

February 26: Work Session (NOTE: This will be held at Town Hall)

7. RESOLUTION- NO PARKING ON NICHOLS ROAD: Passed 5-0

8. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN OF THE ZBA: Ed Collello

9. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN OF THE PLANNING BOARD: George Rohrman

10. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN OF THE CONSERVATION BOARD (COMMISSION): Steve Fasano

11. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD: Armand Giglio.

14. RESOLUTION- RIDGELINE PROTECTION LAW: Passed 5-0

COMMENTS:

The hunting issue is a thorny one. Dick Honeck took issue with the 'sarcasm' of the crowd but from my seat it looked more like anger and frustration.

A committee of residents and hunters will probably be the best way to find an agreeable compromise. Whatever the Board decides it's clear that residents would like to find solutions- sooner rather than later.

The decision to defer the Special Permit for the Palazetti Project was a good one. This project has been on the agenda of 10 different meetings since late '02 and is still very nebulous.

The addition to the Ridgeline Protection Law is a welcome one. CRSE is hopeful that it will be enforced.

I understand that new appointments to the Planning Board and ZBA will be announced next month.

As always please feel free to e-mail me with any questions you might have.

With Best Regards,
Lynne Eckardt

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