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Hi All,

Below please find a recap of last Thursday's (8/18/05) Regular Town Board Meeting. I have not included my comments- If you'd like to receive them please feel free to e-mail me and I'll get them right off to you.

'New Business' was, as it always is, the only interesting part of the evening. At least it's unscripted. And then it's always fun to guess which portion of 'New Business' is going to have audio/visual problems or be left on the cutting room floor. I'm thinking maybe the recurring 'Garbage' theme will 'fade to black' again.

As always the comments are mine alone and reflect no one else's caustic take on life in Southeast.

PUBLIC HEARING: Reduction of a Performance Bond- Brewster Sports Center

1. Review of Minutes: July 21st and August 4, 2005
Passed 5-0.

2. Correspondence
Waived the reading.

3. Approval of Voucher List in the amount of \$695,776.41
Passed 5-0

4. Motion Approving the Attached Budget Transfers
Passed 5-0

5 Motion Setting Meeting Dates:
September 1, 2005
September 8, 2005
September 15, 2005

All at 7:30, all at the Civic Center

6. Motion Calling for a Public Hearing

September 15, 2005 7:30 PM Local law to amend Chapter 138 of the Town Code- Adult Use
Passed 5-0

7. Resolution- Release of Performance Bond- Lyrics Corp.
\$204,000 to -0- Passed 5-0

8. Resolution- Amendment of Local Law- Architectural Review Board
Passed 5-0.

9. Resolution- Special Permit Terravest 3 Senior Housing

The resolution included the following: The project is to be gated with keycard access. The roads will have sidewalks. There will be a clubhouse built with the following: 2 lane lap pool, meeting room, kitchenette, and exercise room. Councilman Johnson wanted to add 'fully equipped kitchenette'.

The Special Permit for Senior Housing was passed by a roll call vote of 5-0.

10. Motion authorizing the Highway Superintendent to spend highway funds.
CHIPs money. Passed 5-0.

11. Motion- Adoption of Adult Use Report.
Passed 5-0.

12. Resolution: Adopt Lead Agency status for Adult Use Zoning Code Amendments
Passed 5-0.

Paul Johnson thanked the Recreation Department for a great summer and said he thought that camp use was at a record high. Lorraine Mitts said that the figures weren't in yet but attendance was up over last year.

New Business:

Ann Fanizzi asked that the 'Senior Housing' Law be amended to add amenities as Terravest 3 was nearly passed without any. She also asked that a 'market analysis' be done to find what the need for 'Senior Housing' really is.

Martha Shortlidge asked if Terravest 3 was exempt from subdivision requirements. Town Attorney/Assemblyman Willis Stephens said, 'No'. Mrs. Shortlidge continued that construction on T3 had started before there was an approved subdivision. Mr. Lepler's, attorney, Donald Rossi explained that the Waste Water Treatment plant and road construction had been approved under T-2.

I asked what would happen if T3 wasn't approved. The WWTP could be built anyway.

I asked why the WWTP wasn't started earlier as Ace-Endico will have only sewage 'holding tank' for up to two (2) years. Mr. Rossi explained that there would then have been environmental damage. I asked if I should assume that the Mt. Ebo plant had also been built after some of the projects over there. Mr. Rossi said he wouldn't 'assume' anything.

Someone asked if the sewage would be trucked to the Mt. Ebo WWTP (in Fieldstone Pond). Mr. Lepler said that all sewage would be carted outside Putnam County.

I asked about incoming Federal Highway Funds since at the last meeting the Board had mentioned that the funds would be used in paving local roads.

The funds (\$220,000) will be used for paving but no one on the board knew what roads these were. Mr. Dunford said I should have asked him when I saw him earlier at Town Hall.

I asked what information Michael Levine was compiling for the Town Board re. the Garbage District. Mr. Levine is gathering data as to what neighboring communities pay for carting.

I asked for a time table on the bidding process as the old contract has to be renewed by November 1. I was concerned that there wouldn't be enough time to put this out to bid. Mr. Dunford said that they would have a decision made by November 1st. I reiterated that I wanted

to know the time table. The question was deferred to the Town Clerk who thought she only needed two weeks. The Town Attorney didn't seem to know but I was assured that there was plenty of time left to open up the bidding process.

Don Cuomo asked if the Board had made a decision regarding the possible paving of Maple Road. Mr. Dunford said the Board would make that decision in the next several months. He said that he had received several calls to pave the road. Mr. Cuomo asked if he'd like to receive calls 'not to pave'. Mr. Dunford indicated that this wouldn't be necessary.

Mr. Cuomo asked if it would be possible for the Town to hire a wetlands consultant as other towns do. Mr. Bonanno quipped, "You're not looking for a job are you." To which Mr. Cuomo replied, 'no'.

The meeting went into Executive Session to discuss contracts.

Please feel free to e-mail me with any questions or comments that you might have.

With Best Regards,
Lynne Eckardt



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