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Date: Sat Sep 25, 2004 3:47 pm

Subject: SE Town Board Recap 9/23/04

Last Thursday evening the Town Board met out at Lakeview Manor. The agenda posted on the Town Website (and it's still on for those of you who want to take a gander: www.townofsoutheast-ny.com) and an agenda picked up at Town Hall on Tuesday listed

three items for the evening.

- 1. Extension of the Sign Moratorium
- 2. A Resolution to extend the Moratorium
- 3. Setting of meeting dates for October.

Imagine my surprise when, at a function that night in Mahopac, Under-Sheriff Convery informed me that he was off to a Southeast Town Board Meeting as Hunting/The Dingle Ridge area was on the agenda and he'd probably have to comment on it.

By the way, this was by no means another infamous 'Last minute addition'. Residents of Clubhouse Drive knew about this meeting as they had had the time to do a neighborhood literature drop. And clearly Sheriff Convery was in the loop.

What rankles here is the fact that all residents of Southeast deserve to know what business their town will be discussing at all Town Board meetings. This way one can make an informed decision on whether or not to attend. This is a basic tenet of Open Government. And one that seems to continually elude our elected officials.

Come on Guys, throw us a bone. You know we're going to report on it. You know CRSE is big on Open Government. That's why after two years of an almost useless, out of date Town Website we've taken on the chore of publishing your 'Draft Minutes'. Enough with the excuses. Fix it.

By the way, The Sign Moratorium was extended and October Meetings were set. I'm too annoyed to do the Town's job for them and post the meetings schedule. If they leave the 'Draft Agenda' up for a while (and why do I have the feeling it might disappear in short order?) you can check out the times and dates there. Oh, and if you want to see the Town Board reaction to CRSE's announcement on our website postings of their 'Draft

Minutes' it's on channel 8 tonight and tomorrow night at 11:00. It's kind of amusing although probably not worth staying up for. If, however, you suffer from insomnia or have absolutely no social life it's definitely worth a peek.

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

With Best Regards, Lynne Eckardt

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