

TOWN OF GLEN ECHO

COUNCIL MEETING

JULY 14, 2014

ATTENDANCE: Debbie Beers, Mayor
Nancy Long, Councilmember
Steve Matney, Councilmember
Mark McCaffrey, Councilmember
Matt Stiglitz (absent), Councilmember
Ben Arem, Knopf & Brown, Legal counsel to the Town
Norman Knopf, Legal counsel to the Town
Stephanie Kern, Court Recorder
Nicole Fraser, Clerk-Treasurer
Stacey Malmgren, Incoming Clerk-Treasurer

VISITORS: Julia Wilson, resident and The Echo Reporter
Aaron Hirsch, resident and owner of 2 Vassar Circle
Erin Girard, legal counsel for Aaron Hirsch
Curt Schreffler, CAS Engineering, civil engineer for Aaron Hirsch
*Norman Hudson Taylor
*Phyllis Ford ~~hama~~, resident
*Peter Zeidenberg, resident
Eddie Springuel, resident
*Renny Springuel, resident
*John Herbert Niles, resident

Marie Hewitt, resident

*Gloria Levin, resident

*Raya Bodnarchuk, resident

*Leah Hertz, resident

Bernard Edelman, resident

Will Dobson, resident

Sophie Keefer, resident

Cris White, resident

Richard Leggin, resident

Jerry Mande, resident

Brent Agnew, resident

Eve Arber, resident

*Ellen Leary, resident

(*indicates resident testified)

Mayor Beers called the meeting to order at 8:02 pm.

OFFICIAL HEARING OF PROPOSED SUBDIVISION OF 2 VASSAR CIRCLE

Opening Statement by Debbie Beers transcribed as part of the hearing record.

Stephanie Kern, court recorder transcribed hearing. Document attached.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion 2014-22 Council approved the May Meeting Minutes as amended with two typographical changes.

Councilmember Matney made the motion; Councilmember Long seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2014-23 Council approved the May Budget Meeting Minutes

Councilmember Matney made the motion; Councilmember Long seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2014-24 Council approved the Budget of May 26

Councilmember Matney made the motion; Councilmember Long seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2014-25 Council approved June Meeting Minutes as amended with one typographical change.

Councilmember McCaffrey made the motion; Councilmember Matney seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Gloria Levin expressed her appreciation of Nicole Fraser's three years of service. Gloria is planning a party in Nicole's honor. Details to follow.

SWEARING IN OF STACEY MALMGREN AS TOWN CLERK

Stacey Malmgren was sworn in by Mayor Beers.

DICK LEGGIN, LEGGIN ARCHITECTS, TULANE/OBERLIN/BOWDOIN PARKING

Dick Leggin expressed concern about the Tulane, Oberlin, Bowdoin parking situation. During summer months parking is especially tight due to summer camp employees who park on those streets rather than in the Glen Echo Park main lot on Oxford Road. He raised concerns about the Town's parking license with the Irish Inn of Glen Echo, including concern over landscaping of any additional areas of Town used for Irish Inn patron parking. Mayor Beers assured Dick Leggin the Town will seek input from him when selecting landscape elements to screen parking areas.

Motion 2014-26 for Mayor Beers to write a formal letter to Glen Echo Park Partnership regarding ongoing parking issue.

Councilmember McCaffrey made the motion; Councilmember Matney seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Ellen Leary raised the following concerns:

The storm drain is backed-up at end of Cornell Avenue. Mayor Beers will have Chapel Valley landscaping company remove debris from storm drains around town, as required by the Town's contract with them.

The town streets are very dirty as a result of the gas line installation. Mayor Beers indicated street sweeping will take place at the conclusion of this project.

Contractors working in Town let their vehicles idle. Mayor Beers indicated the Town doesn't have pollution controls in Town and suggested Ellen Leary speak directly to contractors.

There have been damages to individual properties as a result of gas line installation. Mayor Beers offered assurance that the contractors will fix what they have broken.

There are dips in roads due to gas line installation. Mayor Beers indicated that at the conclusion of the project, streets will be returned to their original state.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:49 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacey Malmgren

Clerk-Treasurer

Deborah Beers, Mayor

Date

Attachments: Transcript of Official Hearing of Proposed Subdivision of 2 Vassar Circle

Aaron LaRocca's notes on the GEP/CBNHS July 2014