

TB Workshop Mtg June 2, 2016
TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING
COLDEN TOWN HALL – June 2, 2016

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:12PM

PRESENT: Councilman David Arcara
Councilman Jesse Hrycik – Arrived at 7:19
Councilman Patricia Zurbrick
Councilman Gerald Pietraszek - Absent
Supervisor James DePasquale

ALSO PRESENT: Town Clerk Christina Kerlin
2 residents

Review Local Law – Solar Energy

Supervisor DePasquale stated that the purpose of the moratorium was to give the Environmental and Planning Boards time to prepare recommendations for a Town Code on Commercial Production of Power from Solar Panel Farms. The only possible addition to the moratorium that will be added was “for primary use or solar farming” which will be added to the moratorium in five places where it states “Commercial Solar Power Projects”.

Supervisor DePasquale will have the Town Attorney review the phrase before the statement is added to the moratorium.

Health Insurance

Councilman Arcara reported that the town employee’s health insurance renewal for September 2016 to September 2017 has not increased that it actually decreased.

The health insurance renewal for the year 2017 to 2018 could have a significant increase so the Town Board discussed capping the health insurance coverage and having employee’s contribute towards their coverage in the future. Discussion will continue at a later date when information is received for future renewal costs.

Questions and Concerns:

Supervisor DePasquale stated that for the third item on the agenda Questions and Concerns the Town Board will roundtable the meeting for any updates from Town Board members.

Councilman Hrycik reported that the tire recycling event on Saturday, May 14th went well. The Highway Department removed three truckloads of tires that were collected and he would like to see this event happen yearly.

Councilman Hrycik meet with CEO John Kotlarsz, Councilman Arcara and two members of the Planning Board to look at updating fees and fines for building permits any changes would have to be made through a Local Law. The committee will meet again on the fourth Tuesday of June.

Councilman Arcara asked for updates on complaints that were made from residents on the up keep of some properties in town. CEO John Kotlarsz has sent Orders to Remedy and is in contact with the owner at Partridge Road and Center Street. A resident on State Road was issued a warrant for not appearing in court on his Order to Remedy. The Log Home Business owner stated that he would not be home in time for his court appearance and asked for a postponement. Two cases are still ongoing in court.

Discussion took place on houses that have not been completely demolished and some that should be demolished. Town Clerk will copy the Town Board on all Court Appearances and Orders to Remedy that are issued by CEO John Kotlarsz. Supervisor DePasquale stated that he was contacted by Assemblymen Mickey Kearns on zombie houses in the Town of Colden. A form will be placed on the Towns website where home owners can file a complaint to Assemblymen Kearns office and the forms will be forwarded to the State to act on the vacant homes.

Supervisor DePasquaule asked the Town Board to review the letter from Judy Brown for a site plan change at Colden Lakes Resort to the approved 25 campsites.

There are two sites that have been sharing green space between them and Judy would like permission to move the utilities of the unused green space to the end of the lake.

Additionally, Judy would like to request that sites 1-9 be allowed to have their trailers stored during the winter months. Sites 10-25 which are the pull through sites would stay vacant.

The letter will be forwarded to the Town Attorney for review.

Councilman Zurbrick reported a letter was received from the Town of Sardinia on a speed limit change on Crump Road to 45mph. Crump Road is split between the Towns of Colden, Concord and Sardinia.

Supervisor DePasquale stated that Cal Rauch submitted a proposal for the Town Board to review for the purchase of 38 acres of land that is adjunct to the north side of Kummer Park.

Town Board will discuss the proposal of the property at a later date,

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Discussion took place on the tennis court being resurfaced and the repair of the tennis court ball wall.

Supervisor DePasquale will contact Pete Lore who looked at the wall last fall to obtain a quote for work on the tennis court ball wall.

Supervisor DePasquale reported that Judge Schneider requested permission for the substitute Constable Frank Brady to attend a training course for certification to carry a weapon with him when he works on court nights. Constables Steven Leman and Paul Sobkowiak attend the training annually.

Discussion took place on whether to seal the parking lot early this summer or wait till after the creek work is complete in the fall. Another option is to place sand over the areas that were crack filled.

Councilman Hrycik will contact Frank Hrycik to see if he is still going to pursue his request to amend his Junkyard Special Use permit.

Councilman Zurbrick is reviewing an online course for the mandatory yearly training to be completed online more information to follow at a later date

ADJOURN

MOTION made by Councilman Zurbrick and seconded by Councilman Arcara and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 8:45PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina M. Kerlin,
Town Clerk