

Springs Citizens Advisory Committee
MINUTES
22 February 2016

Committee Members in Attendance

Ira Barocas, Pamela Bicket, Loring Bolger, Pat Brabant, David Buda, Carole Campolo, Deb Foster, Judy Freeman, Susan Harder, Phyllis Italiano, Tina Piette, Tina Plesset, Ginny Rizzardi, Betsy Ruth

Committee Members Absent

Mike Antonelle, Zachary Cohen*, Reg Cornelia, Cile Downs, Amos Goodman, Judy Grodin, Connie Kenney, Marybeth LaPenna, Brad Loewen, Rita Wasserman, Kathryn Reid

*Zachary Cohen had an excused absence as he was at a Trustees meeting getting information on marsh restoration and non-chemical mosquito control to be presented at the March SCAC meeting.

Community Members in Attendance whose handwriting I could decipher:

Pasquale Pagnotta, Ann Glennon, Betsy Bambrick, Pat Shevlin, Bill Becker, Joe Lombardi, Bruce Nalepinski, Hella Drew, Dave Milne, Larry Mayer,

The meeting began promptly at 7:00 p.m.

Announcements

1. The funeral of Ralph Carpentier will take place on February 24 at Green River Cemetery at 1:30 followed by a reception at Ashawagh Hall
2. The Springs Church will have a chicken with wine sauce take out dinner on February 26

3. Events at Ashawagh Hall

- 2/27 -8 Hampton Photo Arts
- 3/5-6 Artist Alliance Group Art Show
- 3/12-13 Hampton Phot Arts Group Show
- 3/19-20 Mary Laspia GRoup Show
- 3/26-27 Frank Sofo Art Show

4. Chamber Music will be played at the Bridgehampton Presbyterian Church 2/27

Election of Officers

Loring Bolger, Chair
Zachary Cohen, Vice Chair

Kathryn Reid, Secretary
All officers were unanimously elected

Susan Harder voiced concern about the election process. She suggested there be term limits. It was decided this would be discussed toward the end of the calendar year.

Rental Registry Law

Betsy Bambrick, Director of Code Enforcement and Ann Glennon, Department Head & Principal Building Inspector joined us to explain the recent Rental Registry Law and its enforcement. They also answered questions from the Committee and the Community.

Both women emphasized that the law was not a solution but a tool to help prevent over crowding, excessive turnover, and safety violations.

Answers to some of the questions posed include;

The registration expires on the second anniversary of the day you applied.

Notaries are available at the Building Dept. and other government offices.

The Registry does not apply to East Hampton Village.

A "short term" lease is less than 15 days.

If you rent a cottage and live in the main house of the property you can rent short term.

"People" includes children.

Occupancy is based on square footage

Work hours are staggered for CE Officers so all hours are covered.

Officers cannot enter a premises without permission or a search warrant.

CE Officers will issue a notice of violation before writing a ticket.

The law does not allow asking for the names of renters nor copies of the lease.

Truck Legislation

Our Town Board liaison, Fred Overton, told us that the Town Board has not made any progress in drafting Truck Legislation. He cited several reasons:

The Town Board is not clear as to where the trucks are going to go. They are working on options such as allowing commercial properties to rent spaces.

The Board is also unclear as to how to define the trucks - by weight? by size? by a combination of the two?

The Town Board feels that a Public Hearing would only result in the restatement of polarized opinions.

Fred also noted that the legislation would constitute a zoning change. Judy Freeman suggested a registry for all commercial vehicles. Fred said that all contractors must currently be registered.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.