

The Town Board of the Town of Spafford assembled at the Spafford Town Hall, 1984 Route 174, Skaneateles, New York with Supervisor Webb A. Stevens presiding and the following Board members present: Councilor Rick Fesko, Councilor Ken Lieberman, Councilor Merrill Clark and Councilor Jeff Ireland.

The following Town Officers were present: Town Clerk Lisa Valletta, Highway Superintendent Carl Wiers, Accountant Thomas Chartrand, Code Enforcement Officer Kim Fairchild, and Town Attorney Matt Kerwin. Supervisor Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC HEARING - 2010 BUDGET

A motion to open the public hearing on the proposed 2010 budget for the Town of Spafford at 7:01 p.m. was made by Councilor Lieberman, seconded by Councilor Fesko. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

- . There was a discussion of the condition of the Highway garage and the amount of funds included in the 2010 budget for repairs.
- . Mr. Chartrand noted the increase for health insurance is 15%, which is the amount he anticipated.
- . Councilor Lieberman asked if the final tax rate from the fire district has been determined. Mr. Chartrand stated it has; it is \$0.96 per thousand. There was a discussion of the fire district budget.
- . Councilor Ireland and resident Jake Sheahan commented on the high attorney fees.

Supervisor Stevens asked if there were any other comments. There were none.

A motion to close the public hearing at 7:10 p.m. was made by Councilor Lieberman, seconded by Councilor Fesko. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

RESOLUTION 88-2009

Town of Spafford 2010 Budget

On a motion by Councilor Lieberman, seconded by Councilor Clark the following resolution was PASSED

AYES – 5	Stevens, Fesko, Lieberman, Clark, Ireland
NAYS – 0	

Resolved to adopt the 2010 Preliminary Budget as the 2010 Budget for the Town of Spafford.

RESOLUTION 89-2009

Robert Norton Claim

On a motion by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Ireland the following resolution was PASSED

AYES – 5	Stevens, Fesko, Lieberman, Clark, Ireland
NAYS – 0	

Resolved to pay Robert Norton \$2,200 for construction of the justice bench as per contract.

DRAFT ZONING ORDINANCE

Supervisor Stevens opened the meeting as an informational session for public comments on the drafted Town of Spafford zoning ordinance.

Emergency Vehicle Access

Councilor Lieberman raised the concern of the Fire District that road construction should be sufficient for emergency vehicles. He spoke with a representative from FASNY, who offered the alternative of requiring sprinkler systems in one and two family homes. There was a discussion of the concerns and possible solutions. The issue will be considered with the revision to the sub division regulations.

Junkyards

Councilor Clark asked why junkyards were banned but regulations for adult entertainment was included in the ordinance. Town Attorney Matt Kerwin explained New York State law prohibits banning adult entertainment but allows banning junkyards. There was a discussion of junkyards. Councilor Lieberman, Councilor Ireland, and Supervisor Stevens are satisfied with the language in the draft. Councilor Clark and Councilor Fesko are not.

Outdoor Wood Boilers

Councilor Lieberman received information from the EPA and the D.E.C. regarding outdoor wood boilers (OWB). The D.E.C. has written a draft law for regulation of OWB's; this draft was used as a base for the phrasing in the rewritten zoning ordinance. Within the last thirty days the EPA has certified some outdoor wood boilers. These have been classified as Phase II units. There was a discussion of the OWB's. The Board is in agreement that the phrasing based on the D.E.C. draft law as well as the requirement that an OWB should meet or exceed the specifications of the EPA's Phase II units should be included in the zoning ordinance. OWB's will require a Special Use permit.

Onondaga County Planning Board Review

Onondaga County Planning found there would be no significant adverse inter-community or county-wide implications. The Board did offer the following comments:

1. The Board encourages the Town to continue efforts to update its zoning code in consideration of principles and recommendations set forth in the 2010 Development Guide and the Onondaga County Settlement Plan.
2. The Board encourages the Town to establish a maximum impermeable surface coverage of 10% for lots within the Skaneateles Lake Watershed or the Otisco Lake Watershed to preserve the water quality of Skaneateles Lake and Otisco Lake.
3. The Town should insure the proposed Local Law complies with the Otisco Lake Watershed Rules and Regulations and the Skaneateles Lake Watershed Rules and Regulations.
4. The Town should consider establishing district boundary lines in conjunction with lot boundary lines rather than lake setbacks to preclude multiple-zoned parcels.

RESOLUTION90-2009

Board of Assessment Review Board Appointment

On a motion by Councilor Ireland, seconded by Councilor Fesko, the following resolution was
PASSED AYES – 5 Stevens, Fesko, Lieberman, Clark, Ireland
NAYS – 0

Resolved to appoint Robert Eibert to a five year term on the Board of Assessment Review Board; said term to begin immediately and to expire on September 30, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. was made by Councilor Ireland, seconded by Councilor Lieberman . The motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,

Next meeting to be held
Thursday, November 12, 2009 @ 7 p.m.
@ Spafford Town Hall

Lisa M. Valletta
Town Clerk
Town of Spafford