

CAIRO ZONING COMMISSION, CAIRO TOWN HALL 8/10/2009

ATTENDANCE: Richard Booth, John Gallagher, Sue Oldakowski Mary Kames, Doug Ostrander, Richard Lorenz, Town Board Liaison, John Coyne, Town Supervisor... full minutes are available on audio tape.

Absent: Bill Hummel, Janet Schwarzenegger

Meeting called to order by D. Ostrander.

OPEN WITH THE PLEDGE

Minutes for July 27, 2009 were reviewed and approved. Rich Booth made to accept the minutes and Suzanne Oldakowski seconded the motion.

Meeting opened with a presentation from John Coyne, Cairo Town Supervisor who expressed concern that we need to fill some of the vacancies on the Board. John requested the Commission submit names for consideration to the Commission vacancies. He discussed that Doug Ostrander is running for office and may have to leave his post in the event he is elected, and we should also have a member of the Cairo Planning Board as a member of the Zoning Commission for continuity of the planning process. If the zoning law is passed, this Planning Board representative would have a great deal of valuable insight into their future obligations of the Planning Board and be able to anticipate its enforcement. John requested that the Commission submit several names of Town residents who may be good candidates and are interested in participating on the Commission. He requested these names be presented to him before the next September Town Board meeting.

It was also discussed that the Planning Board is currently discussing changes to the Site Plan Review and may be discussed with the Zoning Commission.

At the request of Doug Ostrander, the Commission members reviewed the maps presented at the last meeting by Nan Stolezenburg. The boundaries of the hamlets were discussed, and the Commission members felt that there was not a definitive boundary for each hamlet. The members worked on the maps and clearly marked the boundaries to be better drawn at a later date. The entire Town was divided into five hamlets. No piece of property was left out of any hamlet area.

During a review of the Town classification map, it was discussed that some of the resorts were classified as "commercial" and some were classified as "recreation and entertainment". The members determined that since the Town was predominantly a resort area, the Town residents would like it to remain as such. In deciding where to locate "commercial" nodes, the members wanted resorts to be re-classified as "recreation and entertainment". By doing so the "commercial" term could not be broadly interpreted to include any other commercial use that may be located near a resort. The members reviewed the property classification map for known resorts and started highlighted those resorts that are classified as "commercial" and may later be changed to "recreation and entertainment."

The meeting was ended when Richard Booth made a motion to end the meeting and Mary Kames seconded the motion.