

March 10, 2020

Schultzville, NY

A CONTINUED public hearing the **proposed Local Law XX of 2020 Ag Events Law** was held on this day in the Town Hall. Present were Supervisor Oberly, Councilmen Chris Juliano, Michael Whitton, Nancy Cunningham, Dean Michael and Town Clerk Carol-Jean Mackin. There were about 25 people in the audience.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

At 6:00 PM, Supervisor Oberly called the continued public hearing to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Town Clerk read the public hearing notice aloud.

Supervisor Oberly opened the floor for comments and turned the meeting over to Councilman Michael.

Carol Hues – glad to see the property line being the boundary not the structure; there is so much County input, a county representative should have been here to answer questions. Dean says that is not what they do, they are reactive not proactive. Dean and colleagues did have a phone conversation with them. Ms. Hues commented on old buildings on the property next door and their previous use.

Rebecca Valk – appreciates the work of the Town, special use permit subjects the event center to annual review that includes revocation of the permit without an actual violation. It is an additional administrative layer; the ZA can bring a person before the PB for violations. The law treats events not as an ongoing use of land but as an individual event, this should be amended.

Jeff Newman – sound can't be contained to a building. Recommends referring to sound ordinance. Offers typo corrections.

Jack Auspitz – PB member, re: size of gathering definition of event on p 1. Asked if a large concert has been considered as an event. Dean said events are limited to 200 people, others noticed that it has been taken out. Dean will put that back to limit to 200. Offered typo corrections and suggested removing "limited to be unconstitutional" on page 8.

Stacy Higgins – Old Adriance Farm – pleased the number of attendees has been changed. Asks who will be charged with counting livestock as listed on page 1. Dean explained that is used to qualify your property as agricultural. Dean will speak to the Town Attorney on how best to clarify.

Rich Morse – should be some accountability to the crops being produces. For ex. the Dutchess, they pay taxes on their full assessment. We need to lower tax base, an operation like that does that. The law lacks promoting businesses like the Dutchess, wants to see the law promote those types of business.

Jeff Newman – conference center/dude ranch law continues so places like the Dutchess can continue.

Scott Hues – lot line boundary is a good protection; we need to move on this law and need enforcement the season is about the start.

At 6:20 PM, There being no further comments, MM Councilman Michael, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Juliano to continue the public hearing until 6:00 PM on April 14, 2020. All aye. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 6: 23PM, MM Supervisor Oberly, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Michael to adjourn. All aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Carol-Jean Mackin".

Carol-Jean Mackin,  
Town Clerk