

November 10, 2020

Schultzville, NY

A public hearing on proposed local law 2 of 2020 STR law was held on this day, November 10, 2020 via teleconference using Zoom with a You Tube livestream to the public. This is due to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), Emergency State and Federal bans on large meetings or gatherings, and pursuant to Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 202.1 issued on March 12, 2020 suspending the Open Meetings Law.

Audience participation is allowed. The meeting codes are available on the front page of the Town's website, townofclinton.com if you wish to make a comment at the public hearing on the STR law. Members of the public may also view the Board meeting as it is livestreamed on Town Board Videos page of the Town of Clinton Website.

Supervisor Oberly called the public hearing to order at 6:15 PM.

NO PLEDGE/ NO FLAG PRESENT

ATTENDANCE

Supervisor Oberly took attendance to establish a quorum:

Supervisor Oberly	here
Councilwoman Cunningham	here
Councilman Juliano	here
Councilman Dean Michael	here
Councilman Whitton	here
Town Clerk Mackin	here

The Town Clerk read the public hearing notice aloud.

Supervisor Oberly opened the floor for comments and turned the meeting over to Councilman Whitton. Councilman Whitton reviewed the history of this legislation.

Paul Thomas – glad the law is being considered; commend all who worked on it, supports it; it's a good law and we need it in the Town.

Agnes Devereaux - asked about enforcement. Councilman Whitton said we can decide if we use services to scan websites that will let us know they exist; we know there are about 90. Law says in 6 months people have to initiate getting their permit, then the ZA can check websites to see who is operating and follow up.

Ray Oberly said we also have residents calling in the make complaints.

Councilman Whitton said we have only had complaints on three units in town.

Agnes Deveraux - how do owners who don't live in Clinton become aware of this law. Councilman Whitton said it is on the owner to know the rules of the community.

Arlene Campbell – does the owner go through the special permit procedure for the non-hosted, Whitton said yes it has to go through that public hearing process at the Planning Board. Arlene said the Special permit is good for two years, she questioned Mike on this issue, Mike reviewed the renewal process, and it is renewed by the ZA annually if there are no changes and pay the renewal fee. Is this Type 1 or Type 2 in environmental review? Type 1 is rigorous review with wide distribution and 30-day waiting period /type 2 is not as rigorous. Dean Michael said the ZA should have the discretion to determine the type of action but a type 2 is sufficient for the majority of these.

Paul Thomas – asked about the timetable for when this goes into effect. Is town going to use service to flag properties for rent? Dean said we are giving everyone a 6 month window to comply and we will see then if we need that type of service. Whitton agreed. Dutchess County already uses that type of service so Michael Whitton asked them if they can share that info. Paul asked if a notice will be published about the law. Michael said yes and he will announce it every Board meeting. We can post it to the Clinton Community Facebook page.

Arlene Campbell – did we set the violation fee, Whitton said we will discuss it later at the meeting. Arlene suggests a high fee.

At 6:35 PM, There being no further comments, MM Councilman Whitton, 2nd Councilman Juliano to close the public hearing.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Oberly AYE
Cunningham AYE
Juliano AYE
Dean Michael AYE
Whitton AYE

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:36 PM, MM Supervisor Oberly, 2nd Councilman Michael to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Oberly AYE
Cunningham AYE
Juliano AYE
Dean Michael AYE
Whitton AYE

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Carol-Jean Mackin". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid and connected.

Carol-Jean Mackin,
Town Clerk