

APRIL 27, 2010 REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF CAMILLUS, COUNTY OF ONONDAGA, STATE OF NEW YORK, HELD AT THE CAMILLUS MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

PUBLIC HEARING #1

Consider amending Municipal Code Chapter 30-Zoning, §405-Prohibited Uses, Subdivision A, by adding a new paragraph 5, which will read as follows, "The exploration of land for natural gas by horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing".

Discussion

Councilor Salanger reviewed the dangers of hydrofracking and the necessity to protect those homes using well water within the Town. He also noted that Onondaga County has passed similar legislation and the NYS DEC will be generating regulations regarding hydrofracking, which the Town will have an opportunity to review. Supervisor Coogan noted that the Camillus Planning Board has reviewed and endorsed this amendment and SOCPA has determined there to be no adverse countywide implications from this amendment.

Public Comment

A resident expressed his opposition to hydrofracking.

Resolution #112

Councilor Salanger moved to close the Public Hearing. Councilor Philippon seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

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Resolution #113

Councilor Salanger moved to amend Municipal Code Chapter 30-Zoning, §405-Prohibited Uses, Subdivision A, by adding a new paragraph 5, which will read as follows, "The exploration of land for natural gas by horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing". Councilor Callahan seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

PRESENTATIONS BY THE PUBLIC

A resident expressed appreciation to those that assisted with Earth Day trash clean up efforts, another expressed her offense at the manner in which some Board members address the public, two residents expressed their dissatisfaction with the Town's retiree health insurance program, two others spoke regarding trust in government, and several residents spoke regarding the Honeywell/Wastedbed 13 project and concerning related accusations made by Councilor Griffo.

SUPERVISORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Coogan provided an update on the County sales tax meetings, noting it is still contentious and the Town Supervisors are continuing to work toward acceptable resolution. She also reminded that the Memorial Day parade will take place on May 31, with the Municipal Building ceremony taking place at 7:45 a.m., and that the Grand Aqueduct Celebration will take place on May 22, starting with a parade at 10:30 a.m.

COUNCILOR'S COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Philipponne thanked Don Laxton for taking over as Chairman of the Memorial Day Parade Committee; Mr. Laxton noted that donations are needed. Councilor Philipponne stated the need for a Parks & Recreation Committee meeting; time and date TBA, and thanked the Supervisor for the Finance Committee meeting the day prior, noting it was educational.

Councilor Kolinski stated the dangers of identity theft, noting that the Camillus Alliance Bank will offer free shredding services this weekend. He noted that the Be a Star, Buy a Star fundraiser to benefit the Memorial Day Parade is currently ongoing; Mr. Laxton added that the Camillus Chamber of Commerce website has donation information.

Councilor Davern stated that Mr. Czerwinski has provided a written summary document of his firm's meeting with the DEC, noting that it is available to anyone and it contains numerous safety recommendations that will be shared with DEC and Honeywell. He also noted there are many waste beds in the Town and his concerns about the safety of all.

Councilor Salanger pointed out that the purchase of new highway equipment and land on Shrineview Drive will be addressed under new business.

Councilor Griffo questioned why anyone would support the dumping of toxic waste materials near surrounding New York tourist attractions.