

STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ALBANY

TOWN OF COLONIE

A PUBLIC HEARING IN RELATION TO THE
PROPOSED REZONING OF LAND LOCATED AT 1222
TROY SCHENECTADY ROAD

THE STENOGRAPHIC MINUTES of the above
entitled matter by NANCY L. STRANG, a
Shorthand Reporter commencing at 7:17 PM on
August 27, 2020 at Memorial Town Hall, 534
New Loudon Road, Latham, New York

BOARD MEMBERS:

- PAULA A. MAHAN, SUPERVISOR
- LINDA MURPHY, DEPUTY SUPERVISOR
- MELISSA JEFFERS VONDOLLEN
- DANIELLE FUTIA
- RICHARD FIELD
- JILL PENN
- DAVID GREEN

ALSO PRESENT:

- MICHAEL C. MAGGUILLI, ESQ., TOWN ATTORNEY
- JULIE GANSLE, TOWN CLERK

TRACY EAGAN-LASE

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1 MS. GANSLE: This public hearing is
2 being held by order of the Town Board to hear
3 all persons in relation to the proposed
4 rezoning of land located at 1222 Troy
5 Schenectady Road.

6 Notice of this public hearing has been
7 published in the official Town newspaper which
8 is the Spotlight and has been posted in the
9 Town Clerk's bulletin board. I have an
10 affidavit for each. The Town Board will now
11 hear all persons interested in this proposal.

12 MR. MAGGUILLI: Is there anyone here for
13 Martin Harding and Mazotti?

14 If not, I would like to state this: We
15 are required to adjourn this matter tonight.
16 The Town posted the requisite notice. Martin
17 Harding and Mazzotti did not comply with the
18 Town Law as far as the notice it was to give
19 for both posting and publishing. Therefore,
20 going to request that this matter be adjourned
21 to September 24th to provide Martin Harding
22 and Mazzotti the opportunity to comply with
23 the notice requirements of our Local Law.

24 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Mike, being that they
25 are here for this evening, can they make a

1 statement? Should we do it for public
2 comment, or now?

3 MR. MAGGUILLI: Certainly, they can.

4 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Now? Or public
5 comment?

6 MR. MAGGUILLI: Now is fine.

7 You can certainly go ahead and speak
8 right now.

9 MS. EGAN-LASEK: My name is Tracy
10 Eagan-Lasek. We just found out about this in
11 April and then it was pushed off until now, I
12 believe. We live right next door. We live at
13 416 Vly Road.

14 Traffic - getting out of our driveway is
15 really difficult right now since the addition
16 of Vly Pointe and across the street - the
17 Stewart's and Galleria and those kinds of
18 things. Adding another office building right
19 there will totally shut off traffic on Vly
20 Road. So, there is traffic congestion because
21 that building does not have an entrance onto
22 Troy Schenectady Road. It comes out onto Vly
23 Road, which is right next door to my house. As
24 neighbors to this new building, we are
25 concerned that there won't be a buffer between

1 the residential in the commercial landscape.
2 We are also concerned because when Vly Pointe
3 was put in, people still come up our driveway
4 all the time thinking we are Vly Pointe. So,
5 we think that would be happening again if an
6 office building was put in right next door to
7 our home.

8 We have a lot of land that is wooded and
9 people think it's a nature preserve and come
10 walking through and I had to chase them off.
11 There is additional noise, additional
12 pollution and we find garbage in our driveway
13 now. With an addition of an office building,
14 we will find garbage in our driveway and along
15 our property line. We would just prefer that
16 more construction does not take place next
17 door.

18 We will come back again in September and
19 speak more eloquently, I promise. We just
20 found out about this this afternoon

21 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Just for
22 clarification -- I believe you're right on
23 the border of Niskayuna and Colonie. You are
24 talking about the apartments that are right
25 there?

1 MS. EGAN-LASEK: Yes, we are. they are
2 right next door to that.

3 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: They are actually in
4 Niskayuna -

5 MS. EGAN-LASEK: They are in Niskayuna,
6 but our property is in Colonie.

7 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Okay, you're right on
8 the border.

9 MS. EGAN-LASEK: Yes.

10 MR. MAGGUILLI: This is going to be
11 adjourned to September 24. You can come back
12 and speak again at that time as well.

13 MS. EGAN-LASEK: I absolutely will.

14 I do feel strongly about this. I just found
15 out about it this afternoon and had to work
16 and then rush to put this together.

17 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: That's why it is
18 important because we need the posting from
19 them as well.

20 MS. EGAN-LASEK: Thank you, so much.

21 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Anything else on this
22 -- we are joining it to the 24th, so I
23 believe everyone will know about it at that
24 point in time. We will adjourn the public
25 hearing to the 24th.

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MS. PENN: So moved.

MS. JEFFERS VONDOLLEN: Second.

SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye.
Clerk, call the roll.

(The roll was called.)

MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam
Supervisor.

SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is
adopted.

(Whereas the above entitled proceeding
was adjourned at 7:20 PM)

CERTIFICATION

I, NANCY L. STRANG, Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of New York, hereby CERTIFIES that the record taken by me at the time and place noted in the heading hereof is a true and accurate transcript of same, to the best of my ability and belief.

Date: _____

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