VILLAGE OF WEST HAMPTON DUNES
MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
June 22, 2018 906 Dune Rd. West Hampton Dunes NY 11978

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Present: Mayor Gary Vegliante, Trustee John J. Eff, Jr., Trustee Gary Trimarchi, Trustee Michael Craig, Trustee Barry Goldfeder, Clerk-Angela Sadeli, Treasurer-Claire Vegliante, Sgt. Timothy Turner, Sgt Brian Hennig, Village Attorney: Joseph Prokop, Village Accountant-Charlene Kagel, Bond Counsel-Noah Nadelson

Residents: Rose & Harry Grant, Ryan Osborne, Laura Fabrizio, Jane & Jeff Haar, Irwin Krasnow, Francine & Marty Mairoana, Kenny Goldberg, John Mueller, Brian & Blair Lichter, Jay Coopersmith, Stanley Vickers, Dr. Ronit Adler & Dr. Jeffrey Epstein, Richard Yoken, Norman Mirsky

Meeting called to order at 7:39pm- Pledge of allegiance by the Deputy Mayor

Review with the Village Accountant Charlene Kagel & Bond Counsel Noah Nadelson on starting a capital budget

Mayor:
- The seals which died from natural causes were removed from the beach. They have been buried on the beach in the location that they were found.
- Road work is complete and the striping will be done on Monday. The constabulary parking lot will be regraded with stone as well.
- Plover nests are being monitored and if they can move any string fence they will do so around the 4th of July. Please do not harass the birds as they are an endangered species.
- Rental law proposed change:
  - 865 Dune Rd Dr. Ronit Adler-Called the constables in regards to a complaint from a neighbor’s home and were told there was nothing they could do as the tenants had a permit.
  - 685 Dune Rd Jeff & Jane Haar-Live next to a large rental property where there is noise all the time and different people constantly. They would like to see the rental law enforced.
  - 26 Cve Lane Richard Yoken-Has no problem with rentals but not transient rentals. Says there are new groups all the time and weekends are less pleasant.
  - 702 Dune Rd Norman Mirsky-Believes there is a disconnect with enforcement with renters and non-renters and wants to prevent any more issues from arising. He would like to see the current law enforced as he bought for quality of life in the village and believes his home value could decrease.
  - 678 Dune Rd Stanley Vickers-Believes we should monitor sites where there are issues and enforce the current law.
  - 729 Dune Rd Blair & Brian Lichter-Believes the law should be enforced as it is on the books and offered several suggestions on how the village could enforce it.
917 Dune Rd Ryan Osborne-Believes the off season is worse than the rental season. Is not in favor of any changes to the current law and believes that some rental homes are run for commercial enterprises and are run as a business.

687 Dune Rd Richard & Jill Mueller- Dear Gary & Angela

We would appreciate if you would read this statement into the record at tonight’s meeting as we are not able to attend:

We reiterate our recommendation that the rental season be shortened to Memorial Day to Labor Day. The building season is so defined and this is the traditional definition of any summer season or summer rental season by anyone’s definition. It is an undue burden to impose a two week minimum stay around Easter and Halloween.

We wish to remind everyone that rentals are the gateway to prospective homebuyers. We had a legal one week rental in the second half of April who was so thrilled with his stay that he is looking to buy a high-end $4 million home and dune road now but he was not in the market before his rental stay with us.

We strongly oppose the proposal to make certain rental advertisements a violation. This will be a total quagmire for the village in terms of enforcement, will pit neighbor against neighbor in an ever worsening cycle, and will encourage litigation again. At a time when the village is rightfully trying to discourage landlords from going underground this is even more encouragement to go underground.

We respectfully feel the board should be careful what they ask for as as soon as this regulation passes, I will personally call the constable and village clerk’s office to complain about the landlords with violations on their advertisements. I’ll expect that all those landlords will receive summonses and this will have the net effect of bringing a couple dozen landlords above ground and marching angrily into the next board meeting, as well as the likelihood of litigation on the basis of property rights infringement and unconstitutional overregulation.

I’ll be glad to provide the spark to motivate other landlords to start attending meetings and protect their property rights.

The village quality-of-life is better than ever, the streets are quieter than ever, so there is no public need to tighten regulations. The summer rental season is way too long and should be shortened, and responsible rentals should be encouraged as they are the number one factor supporting property values.

Thank you!

Rich & Jill Mueller

Addendum 6/22/18

So if the proposals take effect we are going to see some type of Internet Crimes / Violations Unit in the village, not for pedophiles, hardened criminals, or sex offenders, but for local tax paying homeowners trying to exercise their property rights.

This is overreach and at a time when quality of life has never been better, due responsible landlords and ample quality-of-life regulations already in effect, we should not be imposing more and more undue burdens that will be a quagmire for the village in terms of enforcement and will escalate the already prevalent problem of neighbors feuding.

Thank you

Resolutions:

- Motion to adopt a resolution approving the properly audited, approved and duly ordered paid by Board of Trustees claim vouchers for the Village
Motion by: Barry Goldfeder
Seconded: Gary Trimarchi
All in favor: unanimous
All opposed: None
  • Motion to adopt a resolution approving and the waiving of the reading of the minutes of
    the May 18, 2018 meeting
Motion by: Barry Goldfeder
Seconded: John J. Eff, Jr.
All in favor: unanimous
All opposed: none
  • Motion to close a public meeting 9:11 p.m.
Motion by: Gary Trimarchi
Seconded: Barry Goldfeder
All in favor: unanimous
All opposed: none