

1-12-2012 PUBLIC HEARING ON LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2012 – ZONING AMENDMENTS

Present:

Councilman Cheryl L. Earl
Councilman Daniel L. Miller
Councilman David L. Montgomery
Councilman Douglas J. Morrell
Councilman Supervisor Mary L. Hannon

Also Present:

Attorney for the Town Linda Joseph
Town Clerk Betsy A. Marsh
8 guests

The Sardinia Town Board held a Public Hearing on January 12, 2012 at the Town Hall/Community Center, for the purpose of hearing comments on Proposed Local Law #1 of 2012, a Local Law to amend the Town's Zoning Ordinance concerning signs for Agricultural products. The Town Clerk provided proof of proper notification of the Hearing. The Supervisor called the hearing to order at 6:00 PM, with the Pledge to the Flag.

The Supervisor stated that these amendments have been proposed for temporary, off-site signs for agricultural products, since the producers are often on roads that are far from the main roads, and the current Zoning does not allow such signs. There was some question whether the Board had decided on allowing 3'x4' or 2'x3" signs. It is believed that the signs recommended were 3'x4'.

The Supervisor opened the floor to comments from the public.

John Schiener of Sardinia stated he feels that the size of the signs is too large. He also stated that there are currently illegal signs all over the Town and there is no enforcement of the Zoning now. He asked if these new signs are illegal, how will anyone be able to tell and will this be enforced?

Mike Hannon of Pratham Rd. stated he feels that set back requirements should be put in the ordinance, especially with the bigger size signs. He also suggested that the permit number of the sign be put on the back in order that it can be easier seen if the sign is illegal or not, and make it easier to enforce.

Supervisor Hannon called three times for further comment. There being none, a motion was made by Earl, seconded by Miller, to close the hearing at 6:06 PM. Carried, 5 ayes, 0 noes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Town Clerk