

An emergency meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Lewisboro, Westchester County, New York, was held on May 12, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town House, 11 Main Street, South Salem, New York.

PRESENT: Supervisor - Edward P. Mahoney
Councilmen - Peter DeLucia, Suzanne Whalen
Town Clerk - Kathleen G. Cory

ABSENT: Councilman - Al Perruzza

Notice of the meeting was given to the Lewisboro Ledger and posted on the Town Clerk's bulletin board and the Town House doors.

JEWISH FAMILY CONGREGATION – Approval for Event

The Town Board met in an emergency session to discuss the issue of a large outdoor gathering being held under a tent on property owned by the Jewish Family Congregation on Route 123 in South Salem. Prior approvals given by the Town do not allow for such outdoor events on the property. Apparently a new manager was unaware of the prohibition and scheduled a bar mitzvah with many invited guests and a tent has been erected due to expected inclement weather.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Employment History

On motion by Mr. Mahoney, seconded by Mr. DeLucia, the Board voted 3-0 to go into executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular person. On motion by Mr. DeLucia, seconded by Mrs. Whalen, the Board voted 3-0 to come out of executive session.

On motion by Mr. DeLucia, seconded by Mrs. Whalen, the Board voted as follows:

THE VOTE: Yes - Mahoney, DeLucia, Whalen (3)
No - None (0)
Absent - Perruzza (1)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on November 4, 1992 the Planning Board of the Town of Lewisboro did, by resolution dated November 4, 1992 grant a Site Plan Approval to the Jewish Family Congregation for a Special Permit for a synagogue and associated uses; and

WHEREAS, among other provisions the Resolution specifically states that receptions must be held indoors; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Town Board that due to an unexpectedly large number of attendees at an event previously planned for indoors, the scheduled reception must be moved outdoors, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to shelter the attendees from anticipated inclement weather; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board recognizes the significance of the religious event to the synagogue and to the community; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board acknowledges the importance and benefits which religious institutions, including churches and synagogues, bring to the Town.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that due to unique and extraordinary circumstances, the Town Board does hereby suspend, as of Saturday, May 13, 2006, from the hours of Noon until 5 PM only, the provision of the November 14, 1992 Planning Board resolution prohibiting outdoor receptions held at the Jewish Family Congregation located on Smith Ridge Road.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Mrs. Whalen, seconded by Mr. DeLucia, the Board voted 3-0 to adjourn.

Kathleen G. Cory
Town Clerk