



For the benefit of the Applicant, Chairman Wick explained the ZBA review process.

### **INFORMATIONAL**

No applications had been submitted.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

The Public Hearing pertaining to the Planning Board's request to the ZBA for a definition of "ridgeline" was opened at 7:12 p.m. There were no Members of the Planning Board present. Chairman Wick called upon individuals present wishing to speak.

**Lorine Karabec** – Ms. Karabec provided research results of the definition of "ridgeline," noting the Miriam Webster definition. The National Parks Association of New Park South Wales and Codes of the Towns of Chester, Copiaque and Highland were provided. Written comment was submitted for the record. Ms. Karabec stated that information was limited.

**Kenneth Stenger, Esq.** – Although there was a definition in the dictionary there was none in the Town's Code. Some Towns have based its definitions on a dictionary definition.

**Eric Jacobs** – Found it interesting that the term "ridgeline" appeared in the Code under the protection of steep slopes. Felt that disturbance should include downstream effects of runoff from a ridgeline.

**Derek Leung** – Read definition of ridgeline from the Towns of Highland and Canandaigua Codes.

Upon Motion of Chairman Wick, seconded by Member Guy Brought and all Members voting in favor, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:23 p.m.

### **DECISIONAL**

The ZBA had been requested to define "seasonal." Attorney Stenger inquired how many members comprised the ZBA and how many would be voting. Chairman Wick noted that there was a seven (7) member Board with one Member excused and one vacancy (volunteers encouraged), and that a majority of four (4) votes was needed to pass a vote.

Chairman Wick had circulated information he had researched for discussion by the Members and had drafted a motion for consideration. Member Tomassetti had found NYS Code – Title 10, Part 7 – Temporary Residences including hotels, motels and cabin colonies which he found interesting but there was not much definition of time. No other references were provided by the Members.

Chairman Wick read the content of the proposed Motion. Upon Motion of Chairman Wick, seconded by Member Jim Tomassetti and all Members voting in favor, the motion passed by the following vote:

<b>Member:</b>		<b>Vote</b>
Karl Wick, Chairman	Approved for reasons discussed	Aye
Guy Brought	Agreed, eight (8) months defined seasonal and since it was 8 contiguous months, it covered what was being reviewed	Aye
Gloria Van Vliet		Excused
Katie Zahedi	Nine (9) months made more sense rather than eight (8) months but eight (8) months was in the record	Aye
James Tomassetti	Considered in depth and it was covered under a broad category of tourist cabins in the Code (going back to the 30's). Approved eight months with "contiguous" being the key word	Aye
Mike Pittner	Shouldn't exceed 8 contiguous months –interpreted seasonal as spring, summer, winter and fall	Aye

Chairman Wick stated that the decision should be reflected in "definitions" for "season" of the Town Code.

Upon Motion of Chairman Wick, seconded by Member Guy Brought, and all Members in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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