

December 20, 2023

Special Meeting

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Southport held at the Southport Town Hall, 1139 Pennsylvania Avenue on December 20, 2023.

Members Present: Supervisor Joseph Roman, Council Members Glenn Gunderman, Daniel Hurley, Timothy Steed, Daniel Williams

Others Present: Attorney Kimberlee Balok-Middaugh, Code Enforcement Officer Peter Rocchi, Deputy Supervisor Kathleen Szerzen, Town Clerk Carolyn Renko

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Joseph Roman at 5:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Moment of Silence – Supervisor Joseph Roman

Under Discussion was Cherry Lane Park, LLC.

Supervisor Roman discussed a petition that was received today, 12/20/23 with 34 signatures from residents near Cherry Lane Park, LLC, that do not want the Town to renew the Mobile Home Park License and agreement between the Town and Cherry Lane Park.

Supervisor Roman also reviewed with Attorney Middaugh a few changes that will be made to the agreement before it is signed.

Attorney Michael Bruno who represents Cherry Lane Park, LLC spoke regarding the decrease in police calls over the last three years since they have removed trailers and occupants from the park. He also stated they are continuing to move forward with plans to remove three more vacant trailers, as well as appear before the Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Board to discuss plans of replacing the trailers that were removed.

Council Members Gunderman and Williams commented on the petition that was received.

Supervisor Roman stated he feels the park is moving in the right direction.

Council Member Gunderman feels that the removal of the 10 trailers is a positive direction and a lawsuit between the Town and Cherry Lane Park would be a burden to all town taxpayers.

Council Member Steed feels the park is heading in a positive direction with the redevelopment plan.

Council Member Williams stated the Town Board represents the majority of the Town of Southport residents and feels moving forward with an agreement is in everyone's best interest.

Council Member Hurley commented on the Mobile Home Park renewal application.

RESOLUTION NO. 184-2023

AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CHERRY LANE PARK, LLC

Resolution by: Steed
Seconded by; Gunderman

WHEREAS, after extensive review, consideration and discussion of this matter, the Town of Southport Town Board hereby agrees to renew the mobile home park license for Cherry Lane Mobile Home Park, LLC located at 1170 Sherman Avenue, Elmira, New York 14904 in accordance with the agreement described herein, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Southport, County of Chemung, State of New York hereby agrees to enter into the Cherry Lane License Agreement, dated, December 20, 2023, with Cherry Lane Park, LLC, attached hereto, to allow for renewal of a mobile home park license in accordance with specific conditions set forth therein and authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute said agreement with the amendment to paragraph II of said agreement to include that any and all mobile homes, other than those mobile homes that are currently located at the Park as of the date of this agreement, must have been built/constructed within ten (10) years (instead of the previous 20 years) of the year that such mobile home (s) is (are) placed in and becomes part of the park and must comply with all federal, state, and local laws, codes and ordinances.

AYES: Gunderman, Steed, Williams, Roman
NOES: Hurley
CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 185-2023

AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO GRANT ASSIGNMENT OF MOBILE HOME PARK LICENSE TO CHERRY LANE PARK, LLC

Resolution by: Steed
Seconded by: Gunderman

WHEREAS, after extensive review, consideration and discussion of this matter, the Town of Southport Town Board hereby agrees to renew the mobile home park license for Cherry Lane Mobile Home Park, LLC located at 1170 Sherman Avenue, Elmira, New York 14904 in accordance with the agreement described herein, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Southport, County of Chemung, State of New York hereby authorizes the renewal of the mobile home park license for Cherry Lane Park, LLC located at 1170 Sherman Avenue, Elmira, New York, 14904 subject to terms and conditions of the Cherry Lane License Agreement, dated December 20, 2023.

AYES: Gunderman, Steed, Williams, Roman
NOES: Hurley
CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 186-2023

CANCELLING ANNUAL MEETING

Resolution by: Gunderman
Seconded by: Williams

RESOLVED, that the Annual Meeting scheduled for December 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., has been cancelled.

AYES: Gunderman, Hurley, Steed, Williams, Roman
NOES: None
CARRIED.

Council Member Gunderman made a motion, Council Member Steed seconded to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn A. Renko, Town Clerk