

MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING BOARD
WERE INVITED TO COMMENT ON THE
PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE:

MR. ALFRED ZEESE writes:

"Because we left Silver Bay at the end of Nov., I have not seen the final draft of the proposed town ordinance with regard to zoning, so my comments are based on the requirements of the Adirondack Park Agency.

In the overall view, I am in accord with maintaining the present character of the Town of Hague, which therefore makes a zoning ordinance necessary.

We must understand, however, that, by law, zoning must be in accordance with the rules set forth by the A.P.A. I do not believe that all of the A.P.A. requirements are legal or just. I believe that in some cases the limitations on the number of buildings allowed on a large piece of property are confiscatory. This I understand is to preserve the "Park Atmosphere". Should not property owners so affected be reimbursed by the state in the same manner as when property is condemned to build a road or other state project?

About ten years ago I worked very hard to zone the Silver Bay area against further commercial or industrial use. That zoning is now in effect and I believe for the community good. But I question the kind of zoning forced upon local communities by the A.P.A. Let the A.P.A. regulate the state owned property in the Adirondack Park and let the local town boards zone the private property within their jurisdiction. I believe the local town planning

boards and the Town Board could do a more just and equitable job. At least the town boards would not be throwing the snowballs made by the A.P.A.

The views I have expressed here are well known to the other members of the planning boards.

Our plans are to return to Silver Bay early in March."

MR. EVERETT LEE, who has been alternate member for Mr. Alfred Zeese at three meetings, one of which was four hours long, has not had time to study the latest draft but has been most impressed by how thoroughly the board considers all aspects before reaching a decision, and agrees that the proposed ordinance would be a step in the right direction - toward more local control.

NORMAN STRUM:

"Our alternatives were to plan or go hodge podge..."

Under present circumstances everyone has to go to Ray Brook (A.P.A. Office) for everything...

In no instance does the town plan make restrictions more limiting than present APA rules and in many areas they are less so. For example, some areas with present limits of 42.7 acre lots have been changed to 8.5 acres etc...

At most Planning Board meetings, two members of the Town Board and the Supervisor have been present to ensure that the thinking of both boards was in agreement...

The best way to understand the plan is to attend the board meetings. They are open to the public."

Planning Board Comments cont:
WILLIAM DAVIDSON, Dir. of Lake Champlain-Lake George Regional Planning Board:

"We are attempting to compile an ordinance which will give the town back some control over its land use.

The Hague Planning Board filed 11 map amendments. The APA had questions about four of these and two members of APA recently visited Hague to look at the sites. We should have a reply from them in about two weeks.

Things are looking favorable for acceptance, by the APA, of the town's proposed plan including approval of their amendments, Hague is well on its way to getting a plan completed and adopted."

Copies of the proposed ordinance and other materials are available. Mr. Davidson said, "It may take a couple days but whatever is needed we will provide."

In Mr. Crabbs' absence, these materials can be obtained from Mr. DeLarm's office at The Town Hall.

JACK CARNEY reports that house building has fallen off drastically since the A.P.A. was established and he feels that some of the restrictions are not being equitably enforced.

He also fears the possibility that local boards might merely impose the letter of the APA laws instead of interpreting or adjusting state regulations to local conditions.

He has not studied the final draft of the proposed ordinance but suggests the Town Board should "find out how much it will cost to enforce it and let people know."

(Article 13, page II-39 of the ordinance describes plans for enforcement.)

EDWARD CRABBS, Planning Board Chairman, "deferred to the Board members as he feels they have

WILLIAM COBB, liaison member from the Town Board:

"I would like to express appreciation to the members of the Planning Board. They have donated much of their time and are doing a great job.

It would be better if all zoning and development plans for private property were in the hands of the towns-people but the map amendments will benefit the town and a Planning Board and Board of Appeals made up of people in Hague will understand our problems better than someone in Ray Brook or Albany.

We have had differences of opinion with APA, but the agency representatives have been cooperative and have always come when asked to discuss the state zoning laws and maps.

If people come to the public hearing they will have a better understanding of the need for an ordinance and the work the Planning Board is doing."

W. KEITH DeLARM, Town Supervisor, Ex-Officio Member:

"The development of a comprehensive plan for the Town of Hague has been one of the hardest, most all encompassing and important tasks ever undertaken by any group of citizens in this town.

To devise a set of ordinances and develop a zoning map within the framework of the A.P.A. rules is, in itself, no small task.

It is very gratifying to see that the Town Planning Board now has this undertaking about 95% complete and will be seeking APA approval within the next few weeks.

I am sure it is the hope of all concerned that when the plan is finally adopted it will meet with the approval of a large majority of our citizens and that perhaps the development and growth of our community will be done in a little more orderly manner in the years to come."

WELCOME TO NEW YEAR-ROUND
RESIDENTS

Mr. J. Everett Lee was a supervisor with The New York Telephone Co. and Mrs. Lee (Flo to her friends) was secretary to an Elementary School Principal in the Uniondale District when they lived in Massapequa, Long Island.

They decided to take the children, James and Judy, to a farm in Vermont one summer. When "the farm" proved to be something less than advertised, they took their refund and set out to explore this side of Lake Champlain and enjoyed the rest of their vacation at Alexander's Cabins on Lake George.

The next year they had a post card from a friend with enthusiastic report on her vacation at Silver Bay, and decided to investigate. For several seasons they rented various places in Silver Bay until 1967 when they bought the house formerly owned by Will and Valida Frazier.

The House was one of the Graphite "company houses" which had been moved to Silver Bay, in about 1928, remodeled and winterized by Mr. Frazier.

The Lees are now retired to Silver Bay as planned and enjoying their first winter here, now that they've "learned to dress for it". Mr. L says, "We always enjoyed it before but after you get settled, you enjoy it more."

They have been amazed at how promptly and thoroughly our roads are cleared in winter in comparison with Massapequa, where the taxes are much higher!

They are getting more exercise and feeling less tired. Mr. Lee was surprised and pleased to find himself shoveling snow off the roof the other day and is doing much of the work on their house and grounds himself.

They are extending and remodeling the house--putting in things

they always wanted and never had time to do before, like their handsome fireplace, a vegetable garden and bay windows full of plants.

They read the daily, and weekly, newspapers from cover to cover because they feel a personal interest in what's going on in the area and want to be active in the community. They have also discovered that a magazine called Leisure, which is free in Glens Falls stores, is helpful in shopping and announces activities in the area.

Mrs. L says they "still have lots of roads to explore" which they noted when they left "the farm" in Vt. and never got back to. Roads to spots of historic interest and scenic beauty such as Woodstock and the nearby area. They also plan to travel more in the U.S. and abroad. They have made vacation trips to Iceland, Venezuela, Portugal, Hawaii and other places. They plan next to see more of the West Coast and some of the countries they have not visited yet.

About the only thing they miss is "the delicatessen" and better TV reception! The thing they are most relieved to get away from is "the traffic". They say, "It feels so good to get home now." when they return from Long Island after visiting friends and family.

Their daughter, Judy Newman and her family are moving to Glens Falls this month. She has always wanted to live in this area since she was a summer "Emp" at Silver Bay Association.

Their son, James Richard and Mrs. Lee's mother are still living on L.I. but James has purchased land next to his parents and plans to build there.

There are three grandchildren, Andria, daughter of James and Jerilyn, and Kirsten and Keith, children of Judy and John.

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EARLE L. PHILLIPS says he is enjoying life at Forest Bay, in spite of the "hard winter" and appreciates the friendly spirit everyone has shown him. He has "not wanted for anything".

When he first retired from government service in Washington, D.C., he lived in Birmingham, Al. but, since he was born in Ticonderoga and related to the Risings, he says, "I loved the beautiful old Rising House and always wanted a summer place in Hague and here I am." sounding delighted to be here.

He can't understand people who "get bored". He finds the varied groups of people interesting and never tires of watching the lake.

His neighbors are all congenial and he has been Sec.-Treasurer of Forest Bay Property Owners Assoc. for several years.

He has been helping Emily Scriber during her recent 10 days in Glens Falls Hospital and reports that she is now well enough to go shopping in Tl.

He was sorry to hear that the old Colonial Arms Hotel in Warrensburg was destroyed by fire in February and mentioned that disappearing landmarks are an international phenomena which he has observed with regret in his travels abroad.

JAMES M. WALSH, M.D. "Regrets to announce the closing of his office and medical practice for health reasons."

The Times of Tl reports: "...at 12:30 PM during the last six months patients would be lined up in front of the doctor's office and, when he arrived, one would carry his bag, another his

mail while yet a couple of others would walk alongside as he walked up his office steps..."

This is just one sample of Dr. Walsh's dedicated spirit which will be greatly missed after 42 years of service.

The Ticonderoga Sentinel states "Charles Allen, Manager of the International Paper Co.'s Ticonderoga Mill, said that Jim Walsh was 'good for us and good for our employees. He went beyond the necessary requirements for being a mill doctor in that he took a personal interest in the problems and affairs of our employees..."

We're all sorry to see him leave"

He was also active on the Ticonderoga School Board for 22 years.

He was a Lt. Col. with the 9th Army in Europe during World War II.

He and his wife Dorcas moved permanently to their house on the lakeshore in Hague last year. They have two sons, James and Terry, two daughters, Ann and Mary Pat, and three grandchildren.

We are sorry he is retiring but proud to have him and Mrs. Walsh as year-round residents.

A big THANK YOU, Dr. Walsh, for all the kindly care, especially those house calls which mean so much when there is illness in the home.

Don't forget to get your records, folks. His office will be open through February for that purpose.

HAGUE WINTER WEEKEND, planned for Mar 5th and 6th will be sponsored by The Snow-Goers Club and the Hague Fish & Game Club with donations from local merchants and citizens. Most of the events will begin on the lake in front of Trout House Village Resort.

MARCH 5

- 10 AM Scavenger Hunt
- 12 N Broom Hockey
- 2 PM Kite Flying Contest
- 4 PM Buffet Dinner at Beachside Dining Room
- 7 PM Winter Queen Pageant at High School Auditorium--twenty-three children competing.

Winter Weekend cont.

MARCH 6

11 AM 50 Mile Cross Country
Snow Mobile Race on the lake.

Entry fee, \$15.00

3 PM Ice Auging Contest

4 PM Trophies and Prizes to
be awarded.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MET. FEB 14:

Martin Fitzgerald appointed to
fill vacancy on the Board created
by Shirley Smith's resignation.

Under new unemployment insur-
ance mandate, as of July 1, 1978
school districts will have to
contribute payments for unemploy-
ment insurance.

Request for use of gym on Mar 5
for Snow Queen Coronation granted.

Home teaching authorized for a
student.

May 3, 1977 was set as date for
Annual Meeting with Voters Regis-
tration on Apr 23, 1-5 PM.

At this point, indications are
that there will be 2 positions
open on the Board of Education as
of July 1, 1977.

Mr. Meola reported on: National
Educational Development Tests; ad-
ministered to 9th grade; The vis-
it to Bolton Landing Library by
Mrs. Curri and the fifth grade;
The progress of negotiations by
Section VII and sports officials;
New long range planning require-
ments; and upcoming senior class
trip to Washington during Easter
vacation.

Rudolph Meola, Principal

"8 POUND LAKE TROUT" I heard.

Henry Watt's confirms this. Lake
trout, ranging from 3 to 8 lbs,
are being caught through the ice
out in front of the brook and
large numbers of perch around all
the shoals, averaging "5 to 8 in
a pound" (that is dressed and
ready for the pan). We have a
cluster of fishermen out in front
of Hague every morning.

HAGUE CUB SCOUT NEWS

Jan. 29 finds the Hague Cub
Scouts, Den Mothers, committee
members and parents at the EMA
Building in T1 for the annual
Pinewood Derby race, sponsored
by Mohican Council.

The miniature pinewood cars
are made from blocks of wood,
painted and fitted with axels
and wheels by cub scouts and
dads as a father and son pro-
ject. The cars are raced on a
specially designed track, three
cars at a time. From noon until
1 PM Cubs from Hague, Crown
Point, T1, Moxiah, Schroon Lake,
Putnam, Chestertown and Brant
Lake registered and weighed in.

Joe Streeter of Hague manned
the scales. Each car had to
weigh within the 5 oz. limit.
Over 100 cars were registered by
Martha Denton and Frederick
Sharpe from Hague. A crowd of
over three hundred were in atten-
dance. Altho there were no win-
ners from Hague this year, Paul
Belden, Steve Streeter, Daniel
Belden, James Belden and Daniel Den-
ton & Doug Olcott had a great time.

Refreshments were served by our
Pack 21 with profits going to the
Hague Cub Scouts. A special vote
of thanks goes to Bob Hoyt, Joan
& Arthur Belden, Joe Streeter,
Donna Denton and Arthur Belden,
Jr. for all the help they gave
to this project.

The next big event will be the
Blue & Gold Banquet at the Hague
Fire House on Feb. 25.

Joan Belden

BON VOYAGE to Mr. and Mrs.
Edward Crabbs, Sr. who will be
visiting their son and his wife
and touring Italy. Comm. Ed Jr.
is taking command of a fighter
squadron on the "J.F.K." carrier
in the Bay of Naples. They leave
here Mar 2 for about a month.

TOWN BOARD MET. FEB. 8:

Supervisor was authorized to sign contract with Warren County to receive funds for use in employment of persons under Manpower Act Title VI.

Public Hearing will be held on March 8 to present and hear any discussion of proposed "Local Law No. 1" which reduces tax exemption for new businesses to 0% because such exemptions are unfair to businesses already operating.

Planning Board members appointed to Zoning Commission, which is required by law, to call the hearing and present the case for the proposed zoning ordinance make any changes which they feel are indicated after said hearing etc. In other words the same people will carry on the work they have already begun. This is only allowed by law.

Resolution passed to ask the Governor to restore funds, to the Lake George Park Commission, which he recently cut from their budget.

Use of \$5,000. anti-recession monies discussed. Some of it will be used to furnish a courtroom for use of the Justices of Peace in the Town Hall.

It was agreed to donate \$50. to Winter Weekend on Mar. 5 & 6.

William Jordan appointed Town Constable, Ordinance Enforcing Officer and Dog Warden.

W. Keith DeLarm, Sup.

A FOX AND TWO CROSS COUNTRY SKIERS were cited out in front of Adra Seerup's house where a bright orange wind sock marks a runway on the Ice which Galen has cleared for his friend, Capt. Garey Wiley (known here for his trampoline artistry) to land his plane.

The skiers were Dr. & Mrs. Robert Cole, who next appeared coming along thru the trees between Seerup's house and highway 9N. Skiers, snc-mobiles and summer hikers can follow FRIENDSHIP TRAIL from Shawanapoc Rd. to Arms Point. Property owners along this trail each keep their part clear by mutual consent.

Adra is doing well, active in The Home Bureau, The Garden Club, The Historical Society and helping out at S.B.A. where they are getting ready for their first winter weekend, among other things. She keeps in touch with one friend across the lake by C.B. radio.

LITTLE THEATRE GROUP to start by just "reading" plays as a pleasant way to spend an evening. May never achieve "Shakespeare In The Park" but can be fun and is a good way to discover hidden talents. Everyone interested in participating or auditing please contact John Braisted at 6102 or 2481. They also serve who only stand and laugh!

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