

VILLAGE OF HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON, NEW YORK
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PUBLIC HEARING
JUNE 3, 2008

A Public Hearing was held by the Board of Trustees on Tuesday, June 3, 2008 at 8:10 p.m. in the Meeting Room, Municipal Building, 7 Maple Avenue.

PRESENT: Mayor Wm. Lee Kinnally, Jr., Trustee Peter Swiderski, Trustee Jeremiah Quinlan, Trustee Diggitt McLaughlin, Trustee Danielle Goodman, Village Manager Francis A. Frobel, Village Attorney Marianne Stecich, and Clerk Susan Maggiotto.

CITIZENS: Six (6).

Mayor Kinnally declared the Board in session for the purpose of conducting a Public Hearing in accordance with the legal notice that appeared in the May 30, 2008 issue of *The Rivertowns Enterprise* to consider the advisability of adopting the following Local Laws amending the Code of the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson:

- No. 9 of 2008 Amending Chapter 48, Police, to Eliminate the Residency Requirement
- No. 10 of 2008 Deleting Chapter 76, Zoning Board of Appeals
- No. 11 of 2008 Deleting Chapter 79 Publication of Zoning Laws
- No. 12 of 2008 Amending Chapter 94 Animals to Eliminate the Position of Dog Warden
- No. 13 of 2008 Deleting Chapter 170 Ice Cream and Non-Alcoholic Beverages
- No. 14 of 2008 Deleting Chapter 176 Junk Dealers
- No. 15 of 2008 Amending Chapter 184 Licenses and Permits
- No. 16 of 2008 Deleting Chapter 212 Peace and Good Order
- No. 17 of 2008 Amending Chapter 214 Peddling, Vending and Soliciting
- No. 18 of 2008 Amending Chapter 241 Snow and Ice Removal
- No. 19 of 2008 Amending Chapter 262 Taxicabs and Taxicab Drivers
- No. 20 of 2008 Deleting Chapter 267 Trailers and Trailer Camps
- No. 21 of 2008 Deleting Chapter 270 Trapping
- No. 22 of 2008 Amending Chapter 282 Vehicles and Traffic
- No. 23 of 2008 Amending Chapter 282 Village Property

Mayor Kinnally: These are all local laws that are bringing our code up to date. Either the conditions being addressed no longer exist, or various items have been taken over in other sections of the state code. This being a public hearing, anyone wishing to speak either in favor of, or in opposition to, any of the proposed local laws please come forward, name and address for the record.

John Gonder, 153 James Street: I have a question in regard to the position of dog warden. I would like to know what takes its place. I have had a lot of problems with dogs, you know.

Mayor Kinnally: The duties have been taken over by the Town of Greenburgh.

Mr. Gonder: That is what I was afraid of. When you have a complaint and call the police here in Hastings they cannot act unless they see the dog running loose or people are not picking up. People that are accused of it run into their house. The police knock on the door or ring bells and they never answer. I understand you have Greenburgh, but there are a lot of people in our community that abide by the leash laws. In fact, you put a sign up by Pulver's Woods for me, which was nice. But other people do not give a darn.

I was wondering how you can take care of those people who leave their dogs run loose. I have grandchildren that are allergic to dog hair. I also have grandchildren that are afraid of dogs. There is not much you can do with it, and yet some of my neighbors let them run loose. So I think you need someone. It could be a position that is filled by an independent person that you swear in and give them the duties of issuing a summons to these people. .

Mayor Kinnally: Thank you. Anyone else to speak either in favor of, or in opposition to, the proposed local laws?

Hearing no further comment, Mayor Kinnally asked for a resolution to close the Public Hearing.

CLOSE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On MOTION of Trustee Swiderski, SECONDED by Trustee Goodman with a voice vote of all in favor, Mayor Kinnally closed the Public Hearing at 8:13 p.m.