

VILLAGE OF HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON, NEW YORK
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PUBLIC HEARING No. 1
OCTOBER 1, 2013

A Public Hearing was held by the Board of Trustees on Tuesday, October 1, 2013 at 7:31 p.m. in the Meeting Room, Municipal Building, 7 Maple Avenue.

PRESENT: Mayor Peter Swiderski, Trustee Bruce Jennings, Trustee Marjorie Apel, Trustee Meg Walker, Trustee Nicola Armacost, Village Manager Francis A. Frobel, Village Attorney Marianne Stecich, and Deputy Village Clerk Mary Ellen Ballantine

CITIZENS: Thirteen (13).

Mayor Swiderski declared the Board in session for the purpose of continuing a Public Hearing in accordance with the legal notice that appeared in the September 6, 2013 issue of *The Rivertowns Enterprise* to consider the advisability of adopting Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2013 amending the Code of the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson, Westchester County, New York, to Add a New Chapter – Green Building Code.

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson as follows:

Section 1: The Code of the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson is hereby amended by adding a new chapter entitled Green Building Code, the text of which is attached.

Section 2: This local law shall take effect immediately.

Mayor Swiderski: This is the continuation of a public hearing from last week which we never formally closed, which was the advisory of adopting proposed Local Law No. 5, Green Building Code, an addition to the Village code. The floor is for anyone who wants to raise an issue on that code.

John Gonder, 153 James Street: The people that presented it did an excellent job. I was for it. I asked a few questions and got some good answers. I do not know why you postpone it for someone that went to some other meeting, when their priorities were not the building code. You waste your time and other people's time.

Mayor Swiderski: In fact, since we did not have the passage of the law on the agenda for the last meeting, but we do this meeting, we have not delayed enactment of the law by a single hour. Since the subject being presented at the library was of interest to a category of people who may have wanted to show up here, though apparently have not, we wanted to err on the side of being more open than less.

Jim Metzger, 427 Warburton Avenue: As somebody who was at the other meeting, it was specifically related to this issue. It had to do with climate change. It was, in fact, the best reason for Hastings to have a green building code. Some of us felt that was a one-time deal. We were under the impression it is going to pass. That is why we were not here. I am glad you postponed it, and I would like to speak in favor of passing of it tonight.

Mayor Swiderski: If there are no other public comments, I am going to ask for a motion to close that public hearing.

CLOSE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On MOTION of Trustee Jennings, SECONDED by Trustee Apel with a voice vote of all in favor, Mayor Swiderski closed the Public Hearing at 7:34 p.m.