

SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING
Executive Session
TOWN OF CHATHAM
488 Route 295, Chatham, NY 12037
January 28, 2015
8:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Supervisor Jesse DeGroot, Councilman Henry Swartz, Councilman Maria Lull, Councilman Bob Balcom, Town Clerk Beth Anne Rippel, Town Attorney Tal Rappleyea

ABSENT: Councilman Jean Rohde

Others present: Attorney Andrew Howard for Life Serve Youth Foundation Tennis Camp

Supervisor DeGroot called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M. and led the pledge to the flag.

The following does not fall under the purview of reason for executive session.

Mr. Howard gave an overview of the proposed Life Serve Youth Foundation tennis camp project on 206 Thomas Rd.

- Mr. Slone has been working with the ZBA on this project for about 6 months now.
- It's a small scale re-purposing of an already developed 26 acre site.
- No new buildings will be constructed.
- Phase I construct 5 tennis courts where riding arena is now located. The courts will not be lite and they will not be visible from the road.
- Phase II build one additional tennis court.
- No swimming pool.
- Discontinuance of 1 absorption bed and replace it with a code compliant bed.
- Improve shoulders on the existing driveway and entrance.
- Interior renovations to the residence and indoor riding arena to ensure it's in compliance with NYS building and fire code.
- Mr. Slone has agreed to put up a bond to cover any negative impact the development work might have. He will also pay his fair share in taxes in some form.
- The camp will operate for 8 weeks during the summer. The courts will be utilized 4 hours/day with no tennis before 9 am on weekends.
- Sessions will be single sex.
- Campers will be transported to camp in vans owned by the camp, no daily drop off or pickup.
- 90 decibels at the property line shall not be exceeded as per code. Sound studies established that if all 6 courts were in use with everyone playing simultaneously the sound at the property line would be 50.1 db.
- In their opinion this project will have a minimal impact on land use.

The remainder of the meeting was held in Executive Session Pursuant to Public Officers Law §108 (3) attorney–client communications.

Motion was made by Supervisor DeGroot and seconded by Councilman Swartz to adjourn at 9:00 AM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Beth Anne Rippel
Town Clerk