

8-9-2012 PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT

Present:

Councilman Cheryl L. Earl
Councilman Daniel L. Miller
Councilman David L. Montgomery
Councilman Norman J. Uhteg
Supervisor Mary L. Hannon

Also Present:

Attorney for the Town Linda Joseph
Town Clerk Betsy A. Marsh
Approx. 15 guests

The Sardinia Town Board held a Public Hearing on August 9, 2011 at the Town Hall/Community Center, for the purpose of hearing comments on a Special Use Permit application by Sean Hager and Renee Adsitt for a proposed 10 dog kennel at the property that they own on Miller Ave. in Chaffee. The Clerk showed proof of the proper notification of the Public Hearing. The Supervisor called the hearing to order at 6:15 PM, with the Pledge to the Flag.

Supervisor Hannon stated that Mr. Hager and Ms. Adsitt, the applicants, were in attendance, and then asked for comments from the floor.

Leann Pokigo of Miller Ave. stated she was here to support the kennel. She stated that the place looks good and the dogs are not noisy, and she and her husband like to watch the dogs in training.

Michael Pokigo of Miller Ave. stated that he was also here in support and agreed with his wife.

Chuck Tobin of Miller Ave. stated that he lives right next door and he has no problem with the kennels, and the place looks the best it's looked in a long time. He stated there has been some talk about the electric collars, but that is how you train the dogs, it is no different than the collars used with the fencing to keep dogs in their own yards, and he sees no problem with them.

Paula Schroeder of Miller Ave. stated she had no problem with the dogs, but has a concern about the quantity. She stated they are applying for 10 kennels, but asked how many dogs would be in those kennels. She stated that Mr. Hager has said he can have 17 dogs in them, but she asked if in the future, they could have 30 or maybe 40 dogs. Ms. Schroeder asked if there could be a limit placed on the Special Use permit for the number of dogs, including puppies. She stated she feels that 20 dogs on the property would be too many.

The applicant, Mr. Hager, responded that everyone of the dogs on the property would go to Florida with them for the winter, and stated that there will never be 30 dogs. He stated there could possibly be 20, but never 30 dogs. He stated that to limit the number of dogs he could have would limit his income and his business. He stated again that he and Ms. Adsitt go to Florida for 6 months and all of the dogs go with them. Mr. Hager stated that his kennel is quieter than the 1 dog up the road, and stated he would give his phone number to anyone who would like it.

Dan Pokorski of Miller Ave. asked what would happen if the property was sold. He asked if Mr. Hager gets this permit, would it stay with the property or will it then go away, stating he has no problem with the applicant, but wondered about any future owners of the property. Supervisor Hannon stated that the Special Use permit goes with the property and this owner, but goes away for the next owner.

The Supervisor then asked if there were any further questions from the floor. There were none.

The Supervisor called three times for further comments. There being none, on a motion by Montgomery, seconded by Earl, the hearing was adjourned at 6:26 PM. Carried, 5 ayes, 0 noes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Town Clerk