

A workshop was held by the Town Board of the Town of Moreau on December 7, 2010 in the Town of Moreau Office Building, 61 Hudson Street, South Glens Falls, New York, for the purpose of discussing a proposed littering law.

Supervisor Jenkins called the workshop to order at 6:30 p.m.

The Town Clerk called the roll.

Town Board Members Present

Tom Cumm	Councilman
Bob Prendergast	Councilman
Gina LeClair	Councilwoman
Todd Kusnierz	Councilman
Preston Jenkins	Supervisor

Town Board Members Absent

None

Also Present: Jeanne Fleury, Town Clerk; Joe Patricke, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer; Vince Sporrer, Town Resident, entered the workshop at 6:35 p.m.

Councilwoman LeClair started out by saying that she would prefer the minimum fine for the first offense to be \$500.00. She stated that nobody throws their garbage out where they shouldn't without knowing what they are doing.

Supervisor Jenkins thought the judges may think that \$500.00 was too high. He also thought that if the fine was too high then a person would be more inclined to hire an attorney to defend their case and that would destroy the Town's case.

Joe Patricke stated that over the years it seems that in many instances the people who were prosecuted for illegal dumping claimed that they gave their garbage to their kids to dispose of at the landfill and when the kids got to the landfill it was closed so they discarded the garbage where they shouldn't have. He also stated that this proposed law is better than what is currently in the Town code. He noted that along with any fine there is a state surcharge so the fine for the first offense would be more than the proposed \$150.00 with the surcharge.

Councilman Kusnierz referred to Section 93-4 of the proposed law and said that this section could be a problem for agricultural areas. When vehicles used in agricultural activities pull out of a field onto the highway there are times when clay comes off the tires of the vehicles or sawdust shavings could spread along the highways.

Councilman Cumm suggested adding an exemption for farming activities.

Joe Patricke said he would work with Attorney Auffredou on a revision.

A motion was made by Councilman Cumm and seconded by Councilwoman LeClair to adjourn the workshop on the proposed littering law at 6:40 p.m.

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Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Cumm	Yes
Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Councilwoman LeClair	Yes
Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Supervisor Jenkins	Yes

Workshop adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Fleury
Town Clerk