

At 7:00 P.M. Supervisor Lester called to order a public hearing at the Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York on July 22, 2003. The purpose of the public hearing was to hear all persons in favor of or against the adoption of Local Law No. 2 2003 –Regulation of Garage Sales.

Present: Town of Sweden Supervisor Lester, Councilperson Carges, and Councilperson Connors, Councilperson Wheat and Councilperson Windus-Cook.

Also present: Julie and Frank Lapinski, 4016 Sweden Walker Road, Jim Hamlin, 50 Park Ave., Gayle Winzenried, 5044 Lake Rd. S., David Marciano, 5044 Lake Rd. S. #3, Tony Zappone, 132 Hollybrook Rd., John Stirk, 4690 Lake Rd. S., Jesi Geil, 6448 Rte. 31, Eduardo Galan, 6 Sweden Lane, Valerie Sarsfield, 5070 Lake Rd. S., Karen Neibel, 407 Holley St., Tom Schmidt, 17 Tudor Rd., and Thomas Ferris.

Supervisor Lester called the public hearing to order. The Town Clerk read the legal notice of the hearing.

Supervisor read over the proposed Local Law No. 2 2003. He then called on residents to speak.

Eduardo Galan: More laws impose upon our freedoms. Is there a problem? He doesn't see that this town has one. There are already laws in place that say you cannot conduct business in a residential zoned area. Additional laws mean additional personnel and an increase in the budget.

Tony Zappone: People have garage sales continuously. This must be stopped. Since he moved in years ago he has seen the continuous deterioration of the properties in Sweden Village. He asked how passing a law would increase the budget?

J. Geil: A garage sale draws business to the town. He thought about doing a petition to the board, but he didn't. A garage sale is not hurting the town. What are we doing by passing another law? He has frequent garage sales and has items in his yard because he has no garage, but he states that his neighbors have no objection to his garage sales.

Tom Schmidt: What is done in other towns? Councilperson Wheat who worked on drafting this law said that some towns have a law and some do not. He did check around. Mr. Schmidt said that he has noted several perpetual sales in the Town of Sweden. That is a business when this goes on.

John Stirk: He spoke in favor of the law. He has a neighbor that has a continual sale. He says it is a detriment to his property.

David Marciano: There are only a few who are causing a problem. Why do we need another law to regulate these few? He is not in favor of the law.

Valerie Sarsfield was present and submitted a letter. (part of the record) She is opposed to the limits that are being set on the number of sales that a resident can have. It should be more than two. Continuous garage sales need to be handled entirely different than the typical garage sale.

There was further discussion that was repetitive both for and against Local Law No. 2 2003 Regulating Garage Sales. At 7:23 PM the Supervisor closed the Public Hearing

Respectfully submitted

Gail A. DeToy, Town Clerk