

Testimony of a Public Hearing of the Town of Union Planning Board held relative to a Special Use Permit application for a Kennel (Dog Daycare) at 1221 Campville Road held on September 13, 2022, at 7:45 p.m.

PRESENT:

Members present: L. Miller
D. Kudgus
S. McLain
S. Forster
C. Bullock

Others present: Marina Lane
Rick Materese
Rachel Johnson
Eric Webster
Scott Dow
Meryl Deemie
Al Jasinski
Bruce DeLing
Suzanne Todd
Russell Ryan
Dino Christopher
Joe Gibbons
Marian Towers
Matt White
Samantha Bowen
Adam Fishel
Bob Potochniak

MS. MILLER: We will open the Public Hearing, and I will read the public notice.

The Town of Union Planning Board will conduct a public hearing relative to a Special Use Permit application submitted by Rachel Johnson of Team Hopefull, LLC for a daytime dog daycare business at 1221 Campville Road (Tax Map #156.14-1-5). The application excludes accessory overnight boarding use. The total number of dogs at any one time will be determined as a stipulation of the special use permit for the dog daycare. The property is zoned General Commercial, and the kennel use requires a special use permit from the Planning Board.

The public hearing will take place on Tuesday, September 13, 2022, at 7:00 PM in the Town Board Meeting Room on the second floor of the Town of Union Office Building located at 3111 East Main Street, Endwell, New York. The application is available for

review in the Town of Union Planning Department during normal business hours (8 AM to 4 PM).

Individuals with special needs requiring accommodations may contact the Planning Department at (607) 786-2926 at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled public hearing. Lisa Miller, Planning Board Chair.

MS. MILLER: Does anyone have any questions or comments?

MR. MATERESE: When we say a number not to exceed, what does that mean?

MS. LANE: Rachel and I emailed each other for quite a bit last evening. As you know, Rick, and I think most of the members know, I grew up on a breeding dog kennel of up to a hundred dogs. So, I'm pretty familiar with having dogs, but we had 60 acres in the Adirondacks. I was trying to look at the size of this building and I don't really want to say twenty dogs maximum, but if the dogs are small, twenty dogs is manageable. Therefore, we came up with a maximum of twenty dogs, with no more than five dogs being 75 pounds or greater. That is because I grew up with Great Danes and I know how much space they take. That is going to be in the report as a stipulation of approval, and that will be a point of discussion for the Planning Board if they agree to that. Rachel also didn't feel that she would have that many dogs; she thought it would probably be closer to ten. The point is not to make a big dog daycare business; it's to provide a fulfilling employment situation.

MR. MATERESE: So is there any overnight boarding?

MS. LANE: They are not boarding them; it is totally daytime daycare.

MS. MILLER: Any other questions? Okay, so we will close the public hearing.

Public Hearing concluded: 7:50 p.m.

I, CAROL M. KRAWCZYK, do hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of a Public Hearing of the Town of Union Planning Board is a true, accurate, and complete transcript of my stenographic notes/tape taken at the above time and place.

CAROL M. KRAWCZYK