

**PUBLIC HEARING
LIBERTY TOWN BOARD AND VILLAGE OF LIBERTY BOARD
July 9, 2008 7:15 p.m.**

At a Public Hearing of the Liberty Town Board and the Village of Liberty Board held on July 9, 2008 at 7:15 p.m. at Village Hall, 167 North Main Street, Liberty, New York to hear oral and written comments from concerned citizens with regard to the Petition for annexation of the premises of Herman Laufer, situated at 160 Sullivan Ave. and identified as tax map parcel 29-3-7.2 to the Village. The following board members were present:

Present: Supervisor John Schmidt Mayor Rube Smith
 Councilperson Clarence Barber Trustee Joan Stoddard
 Councilperson Thomas Hasbrouck Trustee Shirley Lindsley
 Councilperson Lynn Killian Trustee Richard Winters
 Trustee David Simons

Absent: Councilperson Maurice Gerry

Recording Secretary: Town Clerk Laurie Dutcher

Also present: Town Attorney Kenneth Klein
 Code Enforcement Officer Mark VanEtten
 Deputy Town Clerk Sara Sprague

Mayor Smith opened the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.

No one from the public wished to be heard and no written comments were received.

Adjourn

On a motion by Councilperson Joan Stoddard, seconded by Councilperson Shirley Lindsley the Town Board adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

**TOWN OF LIBERTY
NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR ANNEXATION**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a petition, pursuant to General Municipal Law Article 17, has been received by the Town Board of the Town of Liberty, Sullivan County, New York (“the Town”), and the Village Board of the Village of Liberty,

Deputy Town Clerk Sara Sprague

Mayor Smith opened the public hearing at 7:20 p.m.

Attorney Jay Zeiger outlined the details of the annexation and the intended use of the property after the annexation. He advised that it was to be sold and developed as a seasonal community. The most houses allowable would be 142. No services such as schools would be utilized. It would increase the tax base for the School, Town and Village

Joseph Jaffe explained that he was concerned with water & sewer capacity. He is particularly concerned with the summer usage period. No engineering studies have been done. Feels that there is plenty of sewer, but is concerned about the system that runs down from North End Ave. Is concerned about wetlands. His main issue is that the petitioner makes no attempt to make land tax exempt.

John Burke, Town of Liberty Fire Chief
Concerned with the additional work load

Adam Kirschner, resident
Concerned because family owns 4 acres in triangle of proposed development.

Ray Kelly, resident
Need to insure that it is only seasonal, if not, would greatly impact our school. The \$480,000 the school would receive in taxes would only cover about 40 kids.

Anthony McVicker, resident
Concerned with density, water and sewer. Already has low water pressure. Wanted to know how we can guarantee that it will not be tax exempt.

Mayor Smith advised that this was just a hearing for annexation into the Village of Liberty. The proposed development would have to go through the Village of Liberty Planning Board and there would be additional public hearings which would address the concerns of the residents.

No one else from the public wished to be heard and no written comments were received.

**TOWN OF LIBERTY
NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR ANNEXATION**

JOINT PUBLIC MEETING
July 9, 2008 Continued

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a petition, pursuant to General Municipal Law Article 17, has been received by the Town Board of the Town of Liberty, Sullivan County, New York (“the Town”), and the Village Board of the Village of Liberty, Sullivan County, New York (“the Village”), for annexation of the premises of Dennis J. Anastasis, situate at North End Avenue and Youngs Hill Road and identified as tax map parcels 18-1-28 and 20-2-4 to the Village.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that on July 9, 2008 at 7:20 p.m., prevailing time, a joint hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town and the Village Board of the Village at the Village Hall, 167 North Main Street, Liberty, New York, at which time and place all persons interested in the matter may be heard. Objections based on any of the grounds set forth in General Municipal Law §705(1)(a), (b), (c) and/or (d) shall, in addition to oral testimony thereon, be submitted in writing.

Dated: June 25, 2008

By Order of the Town Board of the
Town of Liberty, New York
Laurie Dutcher, Town Clerk

Adjourn

On a motion by Trustee Joan Stoddard, seconded by Trustee David Simon, the Village and Town Board adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Dutcher, Town Clerk