

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF
THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF NEW LEBANON
ON WAIVER APPLICATION – SELF STORAGE MORATORIUM
HELD ON AUGUST 8, 2023**

Present: Tistrya Houghtling, Supervisor
Norman Rasmussen, Councilmember
Marianna Anthonisen, Councilmember
Deborah Gordon, Councilmember
John Trainor, Councilmember

Recording Secretary: Marsha (Marcie) Robertson, Town Clerk

Others Present: Monte Wasch, Ethics, Planning, BEDC, & Shaker
Preservation Com. Member
Ted Salem, ZBA Member & ZRC Chair
Josh Young, Planning Board & QOL Member, Shaker
Preservation Com., & BEDC Chair
Sharon Powers, IT Website Support, BEDC & QOL Com.
Member
Steve Powers, CAC & ZRC Member & CSC Chair
Mary Young, NL Rep to CC Office for the Aging & Traffic
Safety
Peg Munves, CAC Co-Chair
Doug LaRocque, The Columbia Paper
Members of the Public

CALL TO ORDER:

The Public Hearing was called to order at 5:02pm by Supervisor Houghtling. The meeting was held in person at the New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 State Route 22 North, New Lebanon, NY 12125 with members of the public also being able to view the meeting at the following link: https://townhallstreams.com/towns/new_lebanon_ny

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE:

Town Clerk Robertson read the following public hearing notice aloud:

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
MORATORIUM WAIVER APPLICATION
FROM LOCAL LAW #4 OF 2022
TOWN OF NEW LEBANON**

COUNTY OF COLUMBIA

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of New Lebanon on Tuesday, August 8th, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at 14755 Route 22 North, New Lebanon, New York, 12125 regarding the Town Boards receipt of a moratorium waiver application from Local Law #4 of 2022 submitted by JoJo's Dream, LLC.

Participation by the public will be in person at the New Lebanon Town Hall. Those not attending in person who wish to comment on the moratorium waiver application can email in advance of the meeting to supervisor@townofnewlebanon.com and all comments will be read at the public hearing and entered into the record.

Marcie Robertson
Town of New Lebanon Town Clerk
7/14//2023

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Supervisor Houghtling opened the floor to public comment. No one spoke in favor of or opposed to the moratorium waiver application.

Supervisor Houghtling received one email and read the following:

Hi Tistrya,

I will not make it to the Town Board meeting Tuesday as I am coming off covid.

However, here are my thoughts on the storage shed moratorium and the Coon waiver request which should be shared with the Board.

Based on discussion at the last Town Board meeting it appears that self-storage sheds will continue to be an allowed use in New Lebanon, but with some specific regulations.

If the Board plans to extend the moratorium for purpose of allowing storage sheds with further regulation development, then please do not grant the Coon moratorium waiver as it was only to avoid being excluded from expanding.

If storage sheds are to be allowed, then Coon should wait for the new improved regulations... more teeth perhaps than the current Site Plan Review regulations which we have found to be difficult to enforce.

*Best Regards,
Jim Carroll*

CLOSING OF PUBLIC HEARING:

All persons desiring to be heard and having been heard, a motion was made by Supervisor Houghtling, to close the Public Hearing and adjourn the Public Hearing at 5:05pm. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gordon.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Rasmussen-	Aye
Councilmember Gordon-	Aye
Supervisor Houghtling-	Aye
Councilmember Trainor-	Aye
Councilmember Anthonisen-	Aye

Respectfully submitted,

Marcie Robertson
New Lebanon Town Clerk