

SPECIAL MEETING, WARRENSBURG TOWN BOARD, JUNE 1, 2016

A special meeting of the Warrensburg Town Board was held on Wednesday, June 1, 2016 regarding short term vacation rentals in Warrensburg at the Albert Emerson Town Hall at 4:30 p.m. with the following members present:

PRESENT:	Supervisor	Kevin B. Geraghty
	Councilperson	John Alexander
	Councilperson	Linda Baker-Marcella
ABSENT:	Councilperson	Bryan Rounds
	Councilperson	Joyce Reed

OTHERS PRESENT: Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk; Jacquelyn P. White, Town Attorney; and Chris Belden, Code Enforcement Officer, and many town residents.

Councilperson Rounds entered the meeting at 4:35 p.m.

DISCUSSION-SHORT TERM VACATION RENTALS

Councilperson John Alexander said that he was aware that short term vacation rentals are very popular in the State of Maine's Towns and Villages. Councilperson Alexander said that he and his family rent a house in York, Maine and he had made inquiries how issues with the seasonal homes are dealt with there. Councilperson Alexander said he was told that the issues are dealt within, they police their properties.

Councilperson Baker-Marcella said it is her feeling it should be an issue of respect, the Town should come together and that property owners should police themselves.

Councilperson Rounds stated that Mr. Fittipaldi's properties have the most complaints and that Mr. Fittipaldi should control his tenants so as not to ruin the short term vacation rentals for everyone.

Supervisor Geraghty told the property owners present that they need to take care of the problems that are being created themselves, come to some kind of understanding with their neighbors or the Town Board will be forced to take care of this. Supervisor Geraghty said his hope was to have the problems resolved here today among everyone present.

Councilperson Reed entered the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR-SHORT TERM VACATION RENTALS

The following people voiced their opinion on short term vacation rentals to the Town Board: Glenda Duell, Debra Ford, Charles Sommer, Alan McWilliams, Alan Hall, Sr., Gary Cooper, Kathy Ferullo, Steve Herubin, Catherine LaFond- Evans, Mark Murray, Joan Ouellette, Teresa Coughlin, Charles Fittipaldi and Diane Murray.

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Prepared speeches were read and placed on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Supervisor Geraghty told the Town Board he had met with Mr. Fittipaldi and voiced the Town's concerns to him and that Mr. Fittipaldi has made corrections to address those concerns. Supervisor Geraghty said the Town Police Officer will be working on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. Supervisor Geraghty said he has taken everyone's concerns to heart and is in hopes that Memorial Day started a new beginning for everyone to get along. Supervisor Geraghty said the Town Board would have more discussion on short term vacation rentals in Warrensburg and will come to some kind of resolution.

On motion of Councilperson Alexander, seconded by Councilperson Baker-Marcella, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk