

JANUARY 11, 2007

The Town Board of the Town of Corinth held a regular meeting on January 11, 2007 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall.

Present: Richard Lucia, Supervisor
Charles Brown, Councilman
John Major, Councilman
Edward Byrnes, Councilman
Mitchell Saunders, Councilman
Harry Plummer, Highway Superintendent
Robert Hafner, Attorney
Rose E. Farr, Town Clerk
Fred Mann, Jr., Code Enforcement Officer

Public Present: S. Adrienne Hull, Kate and Tim Halliday, Rachael and David Fragomeni, Peter and Nancy Gunning, Stan and Patricia Goldberg, David B. and Mary Williams, Mary and Tim Murphy, Joyce Day, Sheila Pitkin, Russ and Yvonne Melville, Dennis and Christine Morreale, Ted and Diana Jordan, Jack Woods, Ray Bush, Barbara and Charles Weatherwax, Tim and Joni Hanchett. Louise Kirkpatrick, Anne Crawley, Wayne and Cathy Cleveland, Dan Mills, Kenneth Carter, Claudia Norko, Claude Jean, Yvon Trottier, Arleen Springer, David Falk, Sigrid Koch, Richard Smith, James Woods, Jr., John D'Alessandro, Joel Duguay, Bill Denno, Jim Hopkins, Bruce Carpenter, Sarah Alford, Edwin Eggleston, Todd Morrow, Kimberly B. Fischer, Leigh Hornbeck, Louise Carney, Carroll and Ginny Ogden, Bruce and Renee Baker, Russell Boggs, Ronald Ogden and George Melville.

After Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance and prayer the following business was conducted:

RESOLUTION #77

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Major, and the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Major, Byrnes, and Saunders
 Nays 0

Resolved that the minutes for December 7th, 21st, and 28th, 2006 be approved.

RESOLUTION #78
APPROVAL OF ABSTRACTS

A motion was made by Councilman Byrnes, seconded by Councilman Saunders, and the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Major, Byrnes and Saunders
Nays 0

Resolved that the abstracts of December 28th, 2006 be approved as follows:

December 28, 2006

A	-	\$104, 302.34
B	-	\$ 28,997.58
DA	-	\$ 4,500.50
DB	-	\$ 59.785.05
TA	-	\$ 85,981.83

RESOLUTION #79
REJECT BIDS FOR SECURING DEPOT

Attorney Hafner told the Town Board that he had researched the question regarding prevailing wages on the bids for securing the depot. He said that he found all bids must apply prevailing wages. A motion was made by Councilman Byrnes, seconded by Councilman Saunders, and the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Major, Byrnes and Saunders
Nays 0

RESOLVED that all bids for securing the Depot property be rejected due to the fact that prevailing wages must apply, and be it further

RESOLVED that with the guidance of the Town Attorney new bids for securing the Depot property be sent out.

PUBLIC HEARING
LOCAL LAW #1- 2007
TO EXTEND MORATORIUM ON SITING AND
ESTABLISHMENT OF WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES

The Public Hearing opened at 7:10 PM with Town Clerk Farr reading the Legal Ad published in The Post Star on December 14, 2006.

The following people spoke :

Patricia Goldberg

Mrs. Goldberg said she is a resident of Lake Luzerne but is in favor of the Town Board passing the extension of the moratorium with the hope that the new laws are on the books before the end of the six months.

David B. Williams

Mr. Williams said that he was in the favor of the Town Board extending the moratorium with the hope that the new laws are on the books before the end of the six months.

Mary Williams

Mrs. Williams told the Town Board that she was also in favor of extending the moratorium with the hope that the new laws would be on the books before the end of the six-month term.

Mary Murphy

Mrs. Murphy also said that she was in favor of extending the moratorium with the hope that the new laws are on the books prior to the end of the six months.

Joyce Day

Mrs. Day said she was in favor of extending the moratorium with the hope that new laws be placed on the books prior to the six-month term.

Sheila Pitkin

Mrs. Pitkin told the board that she and Dr. Pitkin were both in favor of extending the moratorium with hopes that the new laws would be placed on the books before the extension time was up.

Dennis Morreale

Mr. Morreale told the board that he was against bringing in trash. He also stated that he felt Philmet was entitled to their privacy and that they did not have tell the Town or the Village what their business plan is.

Diana Jordan

Mrs. Jordan told the board that she was in favor of the extension of the moratorium with hopes that the new laws would be placed on the books before the extension time is up.

Barbara Weatherwax

Mrs. Weatherwax told the board that she was in favor of the extension of the moratorium and hopes that the new laws are on the books prior to the time the extension is up.

Tim Hanchett

Mr. Hanchett told the board that he was in favor of the extension of the moratorium but he wanted the new laws on the books as soon as possible.

Louise Kirkpatrick

Ms. Kirkpatrick told the Town Board that she was in favor of extending the moratorium and she hoped that the board would have new laws on the books prior to that time regarding no trash and clean composting.

Claudia Norko

Mrs. Norko told the board that she was in favor of extending the moratorium and that she hoped the Town worked with the Village to protect the citizens by getting new laws on the books.

Claude Jean

Mr. Jean told the Town Board that he was in favor of extending the moratorium.

Sarah Alford

Mrs. Alford told the Town Board that she was in favor of extending the moratorium. She told the board that she went to the school the other night for the meeting and she thinks it looks like Corinth is going to be growing and we need to look out for our children and their children.

Louise Carney

Mrs. Carney told the Town Board that she was in favor extending the moratorium. She told the board that they have a very important decision to make and they should look at everything before making the decision.

Russell Boggs

Mr. Boggs said he thought the Town need some sort of industry or something to offset the tax base.

Tim Murphy

Mr. Murphy told the Town Board that he wants industry in Corinth but not trash. He said he wants clean industry. He said he was in favor of extending the moratorium and hoped that the new laws would be on the books prior to the end of six (6) months.

Ronald Ogden

Mr. Ogden read the following letter from Kendra Schieber who could not be present at the public hearing:

Kendra Schieber
4 Overlook Drive, Corinth, NY 12822
654-6628 or 744-7396
kenschieb@yahoo.com

January 9, 2007

Dear Town of Corinth Board Members,

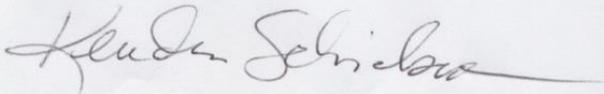
I appreciate the hard work you all do on behalf of our community. I ask the members of the Corinth Town Board, and our Town Supervisor to pass the laws that will provide protection for us against dirty industry. Clean composting should be allowed. Dirty composting (public sewer sludge), gasification, and other potentially harmful processing of waste material from outside our own community should be prohibited. Please extend the moratorium on our zoning laws until said laws are enacted.

Why must we yield to the will of faceless corporations that are not stakeholders in our communities? Our only best defense against the idea that corporations have a "right" to harm our environment is to enact local ordinances to protect the citizens of the community.

Ours is not the only town facing decisions of this nature. I have enclosed a copy of an article that was just published entitled "Corporations face growing backlash as towns assert rights", by Yvonne Lasker-Rothenberg. I hope you will take the time to read it and share it with others.

It behooves us to remain vigilant stewards of the gift given us in the form of this precious jewel, our planet earth. Please give wise credence to all "sides". Pass laws to protect the health and well-being of each of our town residents. I personally would be willing to pay a bit more tax to insure our welfare, if that is necessary. Work toward building the great vision of what this community can become, without placing industries' interests in the processing of garbage, waste, sewage, and sludge ahead of the interests of the residents of this community.

Sincerely,



Kendra Schieber
4 Overlook Drive, Corinth NY 12822
654-6628 or 744-7396
kenschieb@yahoo.com

Mr. Ogden told the Town Board that he was in favor of extending the moratorium. Mr. Ogden told the board that he hoped they would enact laws against trash industry as soon as possible.

Yvonne Melville

Mrs. Melville said she was in favor of extending the moratorium.

Tim Humphrey Fox

Mr. Humphrey Fox read the following letter signed by his wife, Judy Humphrey Fox:

Date:

Dear Supervisor Lucia & Town Board,

I am unable to attend the Public Hearing for Zoning Amendments on January 11th, 2007, so I have signed this letter with my comments.

I AM FOR EXTENDING THE MORATORIUM on TRASH INDUSTRY, since the Town does NOT have laws ready.

I DO NOT FEEL YOU NEED UNTIL July 31st, 2007 TO WRITE THE LAWS, and recommend that the Town GETS THE LAWS PREPARED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

We are counting on YOU to get Zoning Amendments Voted into LAW to protect this community from trash industry.

We NEED to have a CLEAN COMPOSTING LAW & a LAW to PROHIBIT BURNING & PROCESSING of WASTE.

We NEED to STOP trash industry from targeting Corinth & the ONLY way to do that is to HAVE LAWS ON THE BOOKS PROHIBITING IT.

Sincerely,

NAME: Judith Z. Humphrey - Pop

ADDRESS: 14 Sherman Ave., Corinth, NY 12822

NAME: Tim F. Humphrey - Pop

ADDRESS: 14 Sherman Ave. Corinth, NY 12822

Mr. Humphrey Fox told the board that he hoped the Village and Town Boards would come together and extend the moratorium. He also told the board that they need to have Philmet what their specific plans are for energy component and what they exactly mean by energy components. He said he wants the Town Board to extend the moratorium and get laws on the books as soon as possible.

Todd Morrow

Mr. Morrow told the board that he was for the extension of the moratorium and was also for clean composting.

Jim Hopkins

Mr. Hopkins told the Town Board that he agrees with Mr. Boggs and Mr. Morreale. He said he wants clean and safe industry and he thinks most the citizens of Corinth are looking for the same thing.

Wayne Cleveland

Mr. Cleveland told the board that he felt that Philmet should put their plans in writing. He said that Philmet should either sit down with the Town and Village and discuss their plans and if they don't want to just close the book on them. He said he was in favor of the extension.

Cathy Cleveland

Mrs. Cleveland said that she had work for the school district for 20 years. She said she didn't want the students to be called names if trash was allowed in Corinth. She said she was in favor of the board extending the moratorium.

Renee Baker

Mrs. Baker said that both she and her husband, Bruce were in favor of the extension.

Maryanne Woodard

Mrs. Woodard told the board that she was in favor of extending the moratorium.

Town Clerk

Town Clerk Farr told the board that she had seventeen more papers from people who were in favor of extending the moratorium. She also told the

board that she has on file the response from the Saratoga County Planning Board, which is to approve the extension.

At 7:55 PM a motion was made by Councilman Major, seconded by Councilman Brown to close the public hearing carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION #80

REAFFIRM SEQR FOR LOCAL LAW #1-2007

A motion was made by Councilman Major, seconded by Councilman Byrnes, and the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Major, Byrnes and Saunders
Nays 0

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Corinth hereby reaffirms the SEQR and Negative Declaration regarding Local Law #1-2007 Local Law to Extend Moratorium on Siting and Establishment of Waste Disposal Facilities.

RESOLUTION #81

ENACTING LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2007 TO EXTEND MORATORIUM ON SITING

AND ESTABLISHMENT OF WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES

A motion was made by Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Saunders, to pass the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Town Board wishes to consider the adoption of Local Law #1 of 2007 entitled A Local Law to Extend Moratorium on Siting and Establishment of Waste Disposal Facilities as presented at this meeting, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby authorizes and directs the Corinth Town Clerk to file the local law with the New York State Secretary of State in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law and acknowledges that the local law will take effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Duly adopted by the following vote:

Richard Lucia	-	yes
Charles Brown	-	yes
John Major	-	yes
Edward Byrnes	-	yes
Mitchell Saunders	-	yes

Carried: 5 – 0

Supervisor

Supervisor Lucia stated that the following papers are on file in his office:

2005 APA Report

Supervisor Lucia told the board that it was necessary to enter into an inter-municipal agreement for the bus going to the Association of Towns.

RESOLUTION #82

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE TOWN OF SARATOGA AND THE TOWN OF
CORINTH FOR THE BUS TRANSPORTATION TO THE 2007
ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS MEETING**

A motion was made by Councilman Saunders, seconded by Councilman Byrnes, and the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Major, Byrnes and Saunders
Nays 0

WHEREAS, a proposal has been made that the Town of Saratoga and the Town of Corinth enter into an inter-municipal agreement providing for bus transportation to the 2007 Association of Town Meeting which is being held in New York City,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Saratoga and the Town of Corinth enter into an inter-municipal agreement which provides that:

1. The Town of Saratoga will provide bus seats to the 2007 Association of Towns Meeting for \$50.33 per reservation with the understanding that the seats are non-refundable purchase. The bus will depart and return to pre-designated areas.
2. The Town of Saratoga will provide receipts for paid reservations for bus transportation to the Association of Towns Meeting.
3. The Town of Saratoga will pay no other cost or amount or consideration.
4. The term of the agreement shall be from February 18, 2007 through February 21, 2007.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Byrnes	-	yes
	Councilman Major	-	yes
	Supervisor Lucia	-	yes
	Councilman Brown	-	yes
	Councilman Saunders	-	yes

Supervisor Lucia stated that the following papers are on file in his office:(continued)

- DEC Notice – Proposed Rule Making and Public Hearing and Public Information Meetings to Amend Water Quality Regulations
- Employee Manuals for Town Employees
- FEQR Notice – Hudson River Black River Regulating District
- Letter from Assemblywoman Teresa Sayward
- Letter from Lt. Governor Mary O, Donahue
- Letter – License Renewal for Samuel Holland – 29 Holmes Road

The board discussed the fees at the landfill.

RESOLUTION #83
CHARGES FOR LANDFILL SCALE

A motion was made by Councilman Major, seconded by Councilman Byrnes, and the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Major, Byrnes and Saunders
Nays 0

RESOLVED that effective February 1, 2007 the minimum charge for the scales at the Landfill will be \$3.00.

Supervisor Lucia stated that the following papers are on file in his office:(continued)

Commonly asked Questions – Regarding the Training of Municipal Planning and Zoning Officials

Letter from National Grid as follows:

December 13, 2006

Mr. Richard Lucia
Supervisor
Town of Corinth
297 Pine Street
Corinth NY 12822

Dear Mr. Lucia:

With the winter storm season approaching, National Grid would like to take this opportunity to offer valuable information regarding the restoration of utility services to your community following a major storm.

Priorities for Power Restoration – During a major outage, our crews begin restoring service as quickly as possible once safe conditions are established. Transmission lines and substations that serve a large number of customers are restored first, followed by our critical care customers such as hospitals, nursing homes, and public safety facilities. Then, primary and secondary lines that serve commercial and residential areas are restored.

Storm Damaged Trees - National Grid is responsible for clearing storm damaged trees from our electric lines and facilities in order to restore service, allow reasonable access for emergency service restoration, or ensure future service reliability.

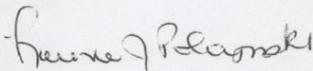
The cleanup of storm debris removed from National Grid facilities remains the responsibility of the owner of the tree, whether public or private.

Storm Safety - To minimize inconvenience and ensure safety if power is interrupted as a result of a storm, National Grid offers the following safety advice: treat all downed wires as if they were energized—don't touch them and don't touch anything that comes in contact with them. To report downed wires, or power outages in your community, please call our toll free number at 1-800-898-8501. This phone number is for the **exclusive use of our commercial and municipal customers and is for the sole purpose of reporting a power outage.**

If you haven't visited our website, www.nationalgridus.com, please take a moment to review the excellent information that is available for you and your residents. **Storm Central** offers information on storm preparation, safety and recovery, and gives the ability to report an outage. **Know-How** provides a wealth of information on energy savings, payment options, and choosing an alternative energy supplier.

Thank you for your continued cooperation in working with National Grid when these storms hit our communities. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



BSO East
Business Service Office

Notice of Settlement from Miller and Mannix regarding TransCanada
Decision and Statement of Findings – Final Master Plan for Moreau
Lake State Park

Public Health Notes
RSVP
Saratoga County EMS Minutes
Saratoga County IDA Minutes for November and December
Saratoga County Planning Session on January 24, 2006
School Parent Newsletter
Senior Sentinel
Honor a Deceased Veteran – January 16, 2007 at 2:30 PM –
Alexander D. Orzel, US Navy and army Reserve from
The Town of Milton

The following reports are on file in the Supervisor's office:

Assessor
Building
Animal Control
Fire Department
Highway
Justices
Town Clerk
Senior Citizens
Supervisor for December 31, 2006

RESOLUTION #84

**APPROVAL OF MOTION TO ACCEPT SUPERVISORS MONTHLY
REPORT**

A motion was made by Councilman Saunders, seconded by Councilman Brown, and the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Major, Byrnes and Saunders
Nays 0

Resolved that the Town Of Corinth Town Board accepts as presented the Supervisor's monthly financial report for December 31, 2006.

TOWN BOARD

Councilman Saunders thanked all the Town Board members for showing up Tuesday at the school.

Councilman Major thanked the people for coming to tonight's meeting. He also thanked all the Town Board members for going to the meeting at school on Tuesday. Councilman Major said that he would be attending the Parklands meeting Monday night as a representative of the Town Board.

PUBLIC

S. Adrienne Hull

Ms. Hull spoke at length for the citizens group called Citizens for Responsible Industry.

Sheila Pitkin

Mrs. Pitkin told the board that the matter with Philmet is causing separations of families and friends. She said that all the citizens should work together not against one another. She said she wants industry but not bad industry.

Dennis Morreale

Mr. Morreale told the public and board that he agreed that it was not fair that private individuals by the rules and then have the government change the rules. He said he was not for trash coming in on the railroad tracks that go by his house. He also said that if he were Philmet he would not be telling the Town or Village his business plan either. He said that Philmet doesn't have to tell us anything any more that a private citizen has to tell what they are doing in their house. He said that without jobs Corinth would become a bedroom community.

Barbara Weatherwax

Mrs. Weatherwax read the following:

Presentation by Barbara Weatherwax
January 11th, 2006 5 minute talk
@ 7 pm – TOWN HALL

- ◆ The Board of Education's presentation by Doug Evans was an eye opener... Luther Forest is huge and the workforce will need housing --- Corinth has lots of undeveloped land & housing brings property taxes that truly sustain a municipality as an ever growing gold mine...
- ◆ The new 20 member citizen group, some of which spoke up at the village meeting on Jan 3rd made us happy to hear --- that they are **ALSO Against** Trash Industry;
- ◆ What they are FOR is Philmet developing the former IP site --- **taking them on their word** that they will not deal in trash;
- ◆ **We say:** We need ASSURANCE with LAWS on the books **for ALL of our sake** To PROHIBIT TRASH INDUSTRY from processing & burning WASTE;
- ◆ We say Laws to PROHIBIT TRASH WILL establish the ground rules for Philmet & ALL FUTURE DEVELOPERS;
- ◆ What do we have to do to get the CLEAN COMPOSTING Law ?
- ◆ Mike Hill has already Written a Great CLEAN COMPOSTING LAW Months AGO – just as good --- if not better than Wilton's Clean Composting Law; We are waiting --- What HAPPENED with that?
- ◆ The Citizens were depending on an answer to our Article 12 Petition FOR CLEAN COMPOSTING --- The town attorney wrote that LAW --- *where is it???*
- ◆ We NEED YOU to go to public hearing and then to VOTE that LAW in;
- ◆ As you know from almost **100 per cent of Petruzzo's immediate neighbors** signed Petitions Against his disgusting project;
- ◆ Do YOU HEAR the People's Voice & see the thousands of signatures AGAINST DIRTY composting, AGAINST Trash Industry -- AGAINST PROCESSING & BURNING of WASTE in Corinth? When will you *Hear Us* ?
- ◆ 3 rounds of moratoria for the Attorneys to write the laws --- **And they did** --- They are NOT at fault for these delays --- it is members of the Town Board that are NOT Co-operating --- *Why is this?*

- ◆ This municipality has TOO MUCH AT RISK --- Think **Luther Forest...**
- ◆ What happened to the WASTE BURNING & PROCESSING LAW that the Attorney wrote? One day we hear it is written --- the next the board threw it out --- and the composting law --- is said to be written IN its place --- Why not in ADDITION to the WASTE BURNING LAW, One had nothing to do with the other.
- ◆ Philmet has announced their GASIFICATION PLANT in the Post Star --- so we have come full circle ---
- ◆ One way or another, Philmet will remain steadfast to get the burn plant in;
- ◆ Dangling the **plastics plant** in front of the community, when their FOCUS remains for the Gasification Plant ---
- ◆ And what is the most economical yet dirty fuel that a Gasification Plant would use? Wood? Way too expensive and a serious waste of wood --- burning paper sludge – paper waste – black liquor – used tires and other waste --- Philmet would ALREADY HAVE MADE MILLIONS by hauling waste AND Then --- **that** same waste PROVIDES **FREE FEEDSTOCK** to burn with –
- ◆ *What a deal for them* --- & WHAT IS IN IT FOR Corinth? TRASH & WASTE endlessly moving thru our roads & rails ---
- ◆ YOU told us that the board must be **sure** that by writing LAWS you will NOT send future industry away ---
- ◆ **We Say:** By writing LAWS Prohibiting Trash, will OPEN THE WAY for Desirable Industry, Other business & HOUSING to COME TO CORINTH...
- ◆ Think Clearly Gentlemen --- *Do what is Right – see what we CAN HAVE if TRASH is **not** allowed --- It is simple Common Sense.*
- ◆ We stand firmly in place before you and await your commitment to the People as stated.

Thank You for Listening...

LOUISE CARNEY

Mrs. Carney asked if the Town Board had rejected any proposals? She also asked if Philmet has members of the Town board other than approximately ten months ago?

SUPERVISOR

Supervisor Lucia told the public that approximately two years ago when Philmet was looking at this property they were told that the landfill on the property was for only paper sludge generated on the property. He said Philmet's representative at the time said that that was okay they could get around it. He told the public that that representative is no longer with Philmet.

Wayne Cleveland

Mr. Cleveland said he has been attending the meeting and following Philmet very closely. He said he went to a Village Board meeting where they decided not to do anything until they talked to Philmet. He said Philmet showed up at the next meeting and gave the Village Board absolutely nothing to go on. Mr. Cleveland said Philmet showed up at the Town Board meeting the same day and gave the Town Board nothing to go on. He said he respects the Town Board for not doing anything until everything is put in writing.

Diana Jordan

Mrs. Jordan told the board that she takes exception to two Town Board members meeting with Philmet and not the whole board at an open meeting.

S. Adrienne Hull

Ms. Hull asked the board to clarify that it was not anyone fault that all the Town Board members have not been at these meetings.

Attorney Hafner

Attorney Hafner told the public that if more than two members of the Town Board meeting notice has to be given and the meeting must take place at the Town Hall. He said that so fact the meetings with Philmet have been asked for outside the Town Hall and there cannot be more than two members of the Town Board present at these meetings.

Louise Kirkpatrick

Mrs. Kirkpatrick spoke about the health effects that could be felt by the citizens of the Town and Village of Corinth if a trash burning or gasification industry is allowed to move into Corinth.

Russell Melville

Mr. Melville told the Town Board that after listening to what Louise Kirkpatrick just said how could anyone in their right mind allow Philmet in especially with the way they have treated us.

Dennis Morreale

Mr. Morreale said what he tried to say was that Philmet is entitled to their privacy just like an individual is entitled to their privacy. He said he doesn't like all fact that people twist things around. He said he wants facts not supposition.

Tim Hanchett

Mr. Hanchett if paper sludge is imported you do not have control of what comprises the sludge. He said that the company coming in knew that the landfill was for on site sludge so that is the way it is. He said there is a myth about green energy. He said there are other methods that can provide energy savings to companies. He said the energy component is not necessary to bring in industry to the IP site. He said it is not the same as a person doing something in their house or an industry doing something in the community that will affect the entire community.

Patricia Goldberg

Mrs. Goldberg read the following statement to the public and Town Board:

To the Corinth Town Board
January 11, 2007

I urge the board to have the courage to write zoning laws similar to those of the village. The thousands of signatures on anti-trash petitions clearly demonstrate the majority opinion of Corinthians and their neighbors. There is also a group of at least 20 people who oppose those zoning changes. These people have a right to express their opinions, but certainly the vast majority of your citizens are for the zoning laws. There is no question of there being a 'silent majority' in Corinth. Silent majorities are just that: silent. Since they don't tell us their wishes, we can only guess how they feel. But according to the web, there are approximately 6000 residents in Corinth. Some are for anti-trash zoning laws and some are against, but also many of them are children who would have no opinion either way. You have over 3000 signatures against trash industry, so what you have here is a very vocal majority. You know exactly what your voters want and don't want. There are 20+ on one side and 3000+ on the other. Which do you feel is the prevailing opinion? You do the math.

I am not a Corinth resident, but I am here for 2 reasons. First, neighbors should be concerned for each other, and I am concerned for my neighbors in your town. I want them to have the same opportunities for a healthy lifestyle that I want for my family and myself. Polluting industries will deprive them of that.

Second, the board and residents of Corinth should be concerned about their neighbors in near-by areas. You don't live in a vacuum, and your decision affects many who live beyond your borders. The trucks bringing this filth and excrement to Corinth will quite possibly come through Lake Luzerne, and drastically alter our way of life. The pollutants coming out of trash plants and dirty composting plants will affect our air and water, just as it will yours. About 15 or 20 years ago there was a period of terrible forest fires in North Carolina. A few days later I was in Rockland County in downstate NY, and I could hardly breathe. The air was so full of smoke and ash that we all had to keep our windows closed, and the elderly and asthmatics were urged to stay indoors. If the prevailing winds can take air-borne pollutants from North Carolina to the southern tier of NYS, surely they can take them a few feet across the Hudson to my town.

Please be a good neighbor as well as a responsive board and listen to your constituents, your village and your neighbors. I urge you to prohibit trash industry and dirty composting in Corinth.

Thank you.
Patricia Goldberg
Lake Luzerne, NY.

Claude Jean

Mr. Jean spoke about the ashes and what the ashes would hold.

Yvonne Melville

Mrs. Melville told the board that she was very disturbed this last week. She said she doesn't like the two sides fighting. She said everybody is friends and some are family. She said it is breaking up her family. She said we need to work together and she knows we all want the same thing. She said we don't want trash and we all want jobs. She said put the new laws on the book then let Philmet come in with the new laws on the books.

Rachel Fragomeni

Mrs. Fragomeni said she thinks everyone wants the same thing. She said she doesn't want trash but we do need jobs. She said that the community does need to work together not against each other.

Jim Hopkins

Mr. Hopkins said that about 95% of the people in Corinth are on the same page. He said that there are some people who say the only clean industry is no industry. He said the lawyers are talking and the boards are meeting just get the job done.

Councilman Major

Councilman Major asked how many people have read the Zoning documents? Councilman Byrnes said the people that are at every one of our Thursday meetings are the one that know the Town's Zoning. Councilman Major asked if anyone could tell him what is permitted within the Town's Industrial sites? Some people said light industry and other people said they would hope heavy industry. Councilman Major said he did get his answer. Councilman Major also asked if anyone could tell him when the Town's zoning went into effect. Councilman Byrnes again said that the people who answered are the one that show up at every Thursday's meeting.

Edwin Eggleston

Mr. Eggleston spoke as a Veteran of WWII and about the County Honor a Deceased Veteran Ceremony held on the third Tuesday of each month at 2:30 PM in the County Building on McMaster Street. He said this is open to the public and is to honor the men and women who have gone through the wars. He suggest that more people attend these meetings.

RESOLUTION #85
EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Councilman Major and seconded by Councilman Byrnes the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Major, Byrnes and Saunders
Nays 0

Resolved that this Board adjourned to Executive session for Attorney/Client meeting at 9:20 PM with no decisions to be made

Respectfully submitted,

Rose E. Farr, RMC
Town Clerk