

Dear Board:

As you can see we have a fairly light agenda this month. We have two uncontested road hearings and the re-consideration of Chapter 91 modifications that have previously been considered by the Board. It is also possible that Ms. Hamlin will attend the meeting to complain about "how she has been done by the Town." Other than this possible issue I think we can count on a short night.

On the subject of Chapter 91, I was asked by the Board to inquire with veterinarians and other sources to determine how much space was "needed" to house livestock. This question is apparently far from simple as I have found significant disagreement over how much space is required. I have included a few articles for your review that were helpful to me. In researching this issue one issue has been consistent and that is that the smaller the acreage the greater the necessity for regular cleaning and removal of manure. Given that nationally there has been a growing interest in backyard farming I believe that it is important for the Board to assume that we will see a noticeable increase in the number of citizens who want a cow, goats, pigs or similar animals in the next few years. I think that it is safe to assume that many of these hobby farmers will be ill equipped to deal with the significant amounts of animal waste generated by these animals and that we will see public health and quality of life issues emerge as a direct result. With these thoughts in mind I would recommend to the Board that you consider passing the ordinance requiring the expansion in minimum acreage as proposed.

As always please contact me if you should have any questions or concerns relative to either this agenda packet or the Town of Woodfin.

Yours truly,

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**Town of Woodfin
Board of Aldermen Meeting
August 21, 2012
6:30 P.M.**

Meeting

Meeting Call to Order

Invocation

Approval of the Agenda

Approval of the Minutes

Public Forum-Citizens may address the Board concerning various topics after being recognized by the Mayor.

Executive Session – The Board of Aldermen will adjourn to private chambers to discuss legal, contractual or similar matters protected by state statute.

New Business

1. Public Hearing on the Opening of a Heretofore Private Road Commonly Known as Fox Road.
2. Consideration of a Resolution Opening a Heretofore Private Road Commonly Known as Fox Road.
3. Public Hearing on the Opening of a Heretofore Private Road Commonly Known as Beaverbrook Court.
4. Consideration of a Resolution Opening of a Heretofore Private Road Commonly Known as Beaverbrook Court.
5. Consideration of Modifications to Chapter 91 of the Woodfin Code of Ordinance.

Reports

Police

Public Works

ABC Report

Administration

Storm Water Report

Adjournment