

TOWN OF AURORA
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION
March 28, 2016

The following members of the Aurora Town Board met on Monday, March 28, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the Southside Municipal Center Town Hall Auditorium, 300 Gleed Avenue, East Aurora, NY, for the purpose of holding a work session to review the Open Development Area and Subdivision Codes:

Present:	Susan A. Friess	Councilwoman
	Jolene M. Jeffe	Councilwoman
	Charles D. Snyder	Councilman
	Jeffrey T. Harris	Councilman
	James J. Bach	Supervisor
Others Present:	William Kramer	Code Enforcement Officer
	Patrick Blizniak	Superintendent of Building

1) Open Development Area (ODA) and Subdivision Code Review:

Those present discussed various aspects of the subdivision code:

- Adding a public hearing and notification of neighboring property owners to the sketch plan phase.
- Notification would include a publication in the Town's official paper; a mailing to property owners within 500' or three (3) parcels – whichever is greater.
- Subdivision minimum lot size is now 3/4 of an acre. Proposed minimum subdivision lot size would be three (3) acres.

Councilwoman Friess noted that Nancy Smith, WNY Land Conservancy, once stated that lining a road with houses is not rural. Mrs. Friess stated the number of lots allowed in cluster developments needs to be made very clear in the code.

Councilwoman Jeffe stated the lot sizes in subdivisions should be enlarged, but individual lots – those not in a subdivision – could remain 3/4 of an acre.

Councilwoman Friess questioned the term “vested rights” in the Town subdivision code section 99-8G, stating the term is too ambiguous.

The Board will continue to review and revamp the ODA and subdivision codes.

Martha L. Librock
Town Clerk