

Minutes of December 13, 2022, Germantown Town Board workshop on the Short Term Rental Local Law, held in the Germantown Town Hall, 50 Palatine Park Road, Germantown, NY and via Zoom, commencing at 6:00pm.

Present: Supervisor Helsley
Councilman Sullivan
Councilman Kukon
Councilmember Suarez
Councilman Christian

Town Attorney, Corinne Smith

Recorded by:
Via Zoom Town Clerk, Joyce Vale

Supervisor Helsley opened the workshop and said this is the first discussion on the Short-Term Rentals that the Town Board has had. Councilmember Suarez said she serves on the committee and they worked on a draft law, all of the documents are on the town website and the public can attend any of these meetings. Councilmember Suarez also said they have been working on this draft since March of 2021 reviewing legislation from neighboring communities. Councilmember Suarez said this draft has not been approved by the Town Board, Town Attorney or Building Inspector yet. Several points discussed are: vacation exemption, off street parking, specify non-owner occupied, owner occupied, farm stays and the lottery. Corinne said there needs to be several public hearings prior to adoption and the law has to go before the County and Town Planning boards. Councilman Sullivan said we are not rushing into this. Supervisor Helsley would like to have another workshop and a couple of public hearings this could take up to 6 months before the Town Board can vote on this. Any comments should be addressed to the Town Board's email.

Workshop closed at 7:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Vale