



TOWN OF FORESTBURGH NEWSLETTER

Board and Committee News:

For a copy of the minutes and/or agendas, please visit our website at www.forestburgh.net . While on the website, please check the calendar for upcoming events and meetings.

Town Board

The Town of Forestburgh Town Board monthly meeting is usually held on the first Thursday of the month at 6:00pm located in the Forestburgh Town Hall. The next monthly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 1, 2022. For the monthly agenda and meeting minutes, please visit the town website at www.forestburgh.net.

Planning Board

There having been no matters pending before the Planning Board, and no new applications submitted. There was no October Planning Board meeting. There will be a November Planning Board meeting to begin the consideration of an application for a two-lot subdivision. The meeting will be held at 7pm at Town Hall.

Zoning Re-Write Committee

Co-Chairs Katherine Barnhart and Steve Budofsky report that the committee has completed its work on the new zoning proposal and is waiting for the documents to be formatted and delivered.

Announcements:

Dog Control Officer

Reminder to all dog owners; by law, all dogs must be licensed. Please see the Town Clerk for details. Dogs must always be on a leash or in complete control of the owner. It is against the law for any dog to be on private property without expressed permission from the property owner or wandering loose on any public road or on any public property. Letting dogs roam loose creates a safety hazard for the dog, the public and other pets. Please be a responsible dog owner and a good neighbor.

Highway Department

Just a reminder that there is sand in the shed outside the Town Barn gate for Town residents. A big thank you to Millie Hogue, Sabina Toomey and Hilda Lehr for thinking of the highway dept and dropping off some drinks and goodies for the guys! Please be careful winter is here! Happy Thanksgiving. As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to call the Town Barn at 845-794-8069.

Forestburgh Fire Department

The Forestburgh Fire Department will be hosting a PANCAKE BREAKFAST on Sunday, November 20th from 7a.m.-11a.m. at the fire house, located at State Rt. 42, Forestburgh. This will be an eat in or take out breakfast for \$12. Come out and support your local fire department and enjoy some delicious breakfast!

Lost Lake Resort

Permits have been applied for by the new owners of this resort to build homes. Their lawyer explained to the Building Department that it was their intent to build “reasonably priced and affordable units to Hasidic Jewish families who have a very significant unmet demand for such units”. The Building Inspector found that the houses proposed were not consistent with homes and community described in the project approved in 2013, which authorized a planned resort community and upscale recreational destination consisting of a gated community of single-family residence lots built to certain design standards, hotel/conference facilities, a cottage and condominium component and extensive recreational amenities, and denied the building applications. The new owners of this resort-approved property appealed this decision to the Zoning Board of Appeals, and this appeal was recently denied. The entire record of this proceeding can be found on the town website at <https://forestburgh.net/boards-and-committees/zoning-board-of-appeals/lost-lake/>.

The 36-page decision is posted on the website, as well.

The new owners of this resort-approved property have also sued the Town making several claims – many of which have already been dismissed, and the rest of which are still pending. The first of those suits pertained to the management of the Town’s escrow account that the approvals required the original owner of this resort property to establish, and this has been largely dismissed by the court and the balance of their claims that were not dismissed are now the subject of a motion for Summary Judgement made by the Town. The balance of the suits brought against the Town by Lost Lake pertain to the Town’s responses to their requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act. Their claims have been opposed by the Town and will be determined by the Court. The Resort owners have indicated that the ZBA’s denial of their appeal will also be challenged in Court, and the town will defend that claim, and anticipates prevailing on it, too.



PEANUT BUTTER CHOCOLATE ACORN TRUFFLES

1 cup smooth peanut butter
4 Tbls softened butter
1 tsp vanilla extract
2 cups confectioners sugar
2 Tbls milk
2 cups semi sweet mini chocolate chips
1 tsp oil
1/3 cup chopped nuts
Pretzel sticks

Line baking sheet with wax paper. Set aside. Cut pretzel sticks to be ½ inch long, you will need about 35 sticks. Set aside. In a large dish combine peanut butter, butter and vanilla. Add confectioners sugar and stir well, using a fork. When mixture becomes solid and difficult to knead, continue to stir with your hands, until smooth. Finally, add milk and stir again with your hands. Make acorn shaped balls. One table spoon is enough for one acorn. Place them on the wax paper. Chill in freezer for 30 minutes to 1 hour. Melt chocolate chips, and oil and stir. Take acorns out of the freezer. Dip each acorn into the melted chocolate and using a fork turn it so that it is completely covered with chocolate. Take them out, with a fork and wait for a couple of seconds for the extra chocolate to drain off. Return to wax paper, using a toothpick. Repeat with the rest of the acorns. Chill for 5-10 minutes in freezer. Re-melt the leftover chocolate, if necessary. Using your hands, dip the top 1/3 of each acorn in chocolate and then in the chopped nuts. Place a pretzel stick in each acorn and then put on wax paper to set. Enjoy!

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