

LOCAL LAW NO. 6 OF 2008

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE TOWN ZONING ORDINANCE (SIGNS)

§ 1. Legislative Intent

Whereas, due to the current severe economic times, members of the local business community have approached the Town Board and asked that they be allowed to maintain temporary signage along right of ways during the next few months indicating sales and other business activities in order to assist them in maintaining a business.

At the current time, the Town Zoning Ordinance does not permit any temporary signage and recent notifications by the Building Department went out to property owners and business owners who maintain said signs.

It is the intent of the Town Board on a temporary basis to allow temporary signs and also to appoint a committee to work on revising the permanent regulations of the Town with respect to temporary signs. It is with this intent in mind, that the Town Board enacts this Local Law.

§ 2. Exemptions

Section 111. For 180 days following the effective date of this Local Law, temporary signs will be allowed within the Town. Temporary signs advertising events associated with not-for-profit organizations or charitable events will be allowed for 30 days prior to an event and must be removed 7 days after the event.

Temporary signs advertising a local business are allowed for a period of 30 days for sales purposes and must be removed 7 days after the termination of the event advertised. All business temporary signs must be for businesses who are physically located within the Town and may not be further than one-half mile away from the entrance to the business and must be located on a State or County Highway, or in any non-residential district.

§ 3. Committee

The Town Board does hereby establish a committee to review the provisions of the sign ordinance of the Town of East Fishkill with respect to temporary signage. Said committee shall consist of two members of the Town Board and four members of the local business community and four residents at large. They shall report back to the Town Board within 60 days following their appointment by the Town Board.

§ 4. That this temporary exemption to the sign law shall be in effect for 180 days from the date hereof. Should no further amendment or extension be had to the Zoning Ordinance, then the original provisions thereof shall return in full force and effect.

§ 5. Effective Date

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon its filing with the Secretary of State of the State of New York.

**Adopted on December 18, 2008
at a Regular Meeting Held at
the Town Hall, 330 Route 376,
Hopewell Junction, NY**