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I'm not sure who is dealing with letters to editor during the pandemic, so I've copied several on this. Someone kindly see this gets where it needs to be and confirm its been received.

Thanks so much, be safe.

Please accept the following for inclusion in this week's letter to the editor=

Who is protecting who?

In early 2018 James Cohen and I contacted the Building Department about The Lodge project and were ignored. Following up with a second contact to the Supervisor, again ignored. Forced to retain an attorney just to get a response, finally a Stop Work Order was issued in summer 2018. In March 2019, Selina purchased the site and the Town issued building permits under the guise Selina would fulfill the Planning Board process before the project was complete. We knew site plan approval was required prior to issuance of permits and filed for an interpretation by the ZBA in June 2019, they rescinded the permits construction ceased. With over one year to fulfill proper site plan approval Selina has not.

Town Board meeting of May 19, 2020 brought extensive discussion of health-related guidelines to be included in a Memorandum of Understanding for Selina to reopen part of the site. When did the Town Board become qualified for such action? If someone becomes ill with Covid 19 or other illness will the Town be liable? Aren't health guidelines handed down by Ulster County Health Department and New York State? The Supervisor stated Selina could reopen several buildings without asking permission. My opinion is two of four buildings they're "asking" to reopen can't have building permits issued to complete construction until after site plan approval, therefore a Certificate of Occupancy can't be issued.

Why is a high caliber NYC attorney asking small town Officials for permission they don't need? Why is the Town Board conversing with rather than directing Selina to fulfill site plan approval? Are we expected illegal permits or C/Os will be issued? Have I again eliminated plausible deniability in this regard?

I've FOIed for the Memorandum of Understanding and was told no formal MOU exists. Town Board should explain to taxpayers the complete details of the MOU prior to adopting it. I don't

Board should explain to taxpayers the complete details of the MCO prior to adopting it. I don't know about you, but I think there's a devil in the details, and something stinks.

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