

MEMO

TO: Town Board
FROM: Susan Siegel
RE: Noise Law
DATE: May 22, 2024

My apologies for these delayed comments to the proposed Noise Law. As I indicated at last night's public hearing, I applaud the Board for considering amending the law.

When considering additional amendments, please consider the following. I have no comments on the dBA levels.

1. Definition of multi family dwelling. This includes a two family house – which for practical purpose is like a single family house. Perhaps the definition should refer to multi family dwelling units in R-3 zones?
2. The definition of residential property (which doesn't distinguish between single family, two family or multi-family), refers to the noise level on "residential property." Does this mean the property line or the residence on the property? And when testing the dBA level, would the residence's windows be open or closed; it makes a difference.
3. Limits on lawn maintenance. Are the time limits too restrictive? I raise the issue because I remember the time constraints my husband had when he did the maintenance work. Not everyone uses a paid lawn service.
4. A sound level from within a multi-unit building. Would this include an air conditioner unit dBA level??) in an adjoining unit in Jefferson Village?