

TOWN OF GLEN PLANNING BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD MARCH 21, 2019

A meeting of the Town of Glen Planning Board was held at 7 Erie Street, Fultonville, New York, on Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

The following members of the Town of Glen Planning Board were present:

Tim McMurray, Pat Rose, Tim McMurry, Sandy Hemstreet, Nancy Langdon, Cheryl Huxhold, Rosalie Farina

The following member(s) of the Town of Glen Planning Board were not present:

Also present at the meeting were: Matthew Bowler, John Thomas, Russ Kelly, Ron Crewell, Steve Helmin

A quorum of the Planning Board being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Chairman, Tim Reilly, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. Meeting notes were recorded and drafted by Secretary, Sandy Hemstreet.

Pat Rose moved to approve the minutes of the Planning Board meeting held on February 21, 2019. Cheryl Huxhold seconded the motion. Sandy Hemstreet, Tim Reilly, Rosalie Farina, Nancy Landgon and Tim McMurry voted in favor of the approval.

Old Business

Subdivision for Lori Overocker:

No representatives were in attendance at the meeting. Tim Reilly indicated he had heard nothing further on the subject at this time.

Planning Board By-laws:

Tim Reilly requested two changes to Article X: First, the addition of eligibility to serve on the Town of Glen Planning Board being that of a resident of the Town of Glen. The second to change wording in Section 1 of Article X from "The Board" to "The Planning Board".

Rosalie Farina motioned to accept the updates made to the By-Laws. Pat Rose seconded the motion. Sandy Hemstreet, Tim Reilly, Cheryl Huxhold, Tim McMurry, and Nancy Langdon voted in favor of the motion.

Proposed Solar Law:

Sandy Hemstreet submitted a copy of the Local Solar Law for the towns of Canajoharie, Mohawk, Florida and Charleston to the Planning Board for review and suggested scrapping the original proposal in favor of what is already in place in neighboring communities. Tim Reilly recommended a review of the proposed law and a working session prior to the April 18th Planning Board meeting. The Planning Board agreed to meet on April 10th at 6:30pm at 7 Erie Street, Fultonville, New York to review the information. Tim Reilly requested Sandy Hemstreet submit a notification into the newspaper about the April 10th session. Tim indicated his hope was to get the document prepped to submit to the Town Board meeting in May.

Comprehensive Plan

Tim Reilly indicated no new updates at this time.

New Business

Special Use Permit Guidelines/Procedures:

The Planning Board members requested a review of the Special Use Permit guidelines. John Thomas presented this information to the Planning Board. He reviewed the differences between Special Use Permits and Site Plans; going through the current Town documents on file.

Committee Reports

None

Public Comment

Following New Business, Tim Reilly opened up the meeting to public comment. Public comments were as follows:

1. While going through the training on Special Use Permits and Site Planning, members of the Town Board asked questions and provided feedback as it pertained to Solar Law. John Thomas indicated he has had several inquiries about commercial solar in the area. Russ Kelly and Ron Crewell proposed a possible moratorium on commercial solar in the Town of Glen until such time as a local law could be enacted. Steve Helmin asked about Article 10 and expressed concern about companies going around the Town of Glen to build solar. Additionally, the question was posed asking if we could restrict herbicide usage within the solar law on commercial solar.
2. Ron Crewell thanked the Planning Board members for their service
3. Matthew Bowler asked for clarification on terminology from the Special Use Permit discussion. He noted he was at the meeting as part of his Participation in Government class for school.

Closing

The next Town of Glen Planning Board meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2019 at 6:30pm

Nancy Landgon moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm. Cheryl Huxhold seconded the motion. Tim Reilly, Rosalie Farina, Tim McMurry, Pat Rose, and Sandy Hemstreet voted in favor of the adjournment.



Sandra Hemstreet