

Town of Smithville

Planning Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 09, 2012

7:06 P.M.

Planning Board Members: Chairperson Jackie Centerwall, Tom Pollard, Doug Garnar, Tim Hanna, and Robert Brooks. Dylan Huff – Planning Board Clerk.

In attendance: Chairperson Jackie Centerwall, Tom Pollard, Tim Hanna, and Robert Brooks. Dylan Huff – Planning Board Clerk.

Absent/Excused: Doug Garnar

Chairperson Jackie Centerwall called the July Planning Board Meeting to order at 7:06 P.M.

1 – Review of minutes from June 11, 2012 Planning Board Meeting. Motion to approve June 11 minutes made by Robert Brooks, 2nd by Tom Pollard, vote unanimous.

2 – Comprehensive plan

-Review of Chenango County response to current draft of Comprehensive Plan. Review of recommendations by the County; such recommendations are not requirements. Discussion of ability of town to provide for a senior citizens' home (for example distance from stores), soil quality in area, educational capacity (distance from schools and universities), and average age of population. Discussion of phrase concerning area near Echo lake (assessed vs. accessed, what kind of assessment? Individual tax assessment.) More correction of grammar. Move mission statement to the front of the document? Put a reference in table of contents? Will add Mission Statement reference line after first page. Will change border format. More grammar changes. Change section 3.0 title to "Mission Statement of the Town of Smithville", and move "Items for Consideration and Goals" to 3.1? Decision supported to make discussed changes. Review of details in town history section. Jackie Centerwall will contact Shane Butler to discuss the letter's meaning of "your Board's decision."

- Intro Memo. Modify memo due to Town Board's rejection of such. Add sentence concerning review by the county? Discussion of area's ability to provide for low income citizens; no public transportation, etc. When does the Town Board wish to place a deadline for the finalization of the Comprehensive Plan? When will the Town Board wish to plan the public hearing? Jackie Centerwall will discuss the details with Supervisor Heisler.

Motion to approve changes to Comprehensive Plan. Tom Pollard made motion, Tim Hanna 2nd, vote unanimous.

3 - New Business

-“Welcome to Smithville” signs, Christmas Wreathes, and usage for 11 acre property not really business of Planning Board.

- Discussion of Town Barn Improvements/new Town Barn possibilities. Possibility of purchasing new land for the town on which to build a new town barn. Robert Brooks will represent the town board to investigate possibilities with the assistance of Bruce Kinny. Motion to approve said activity? Tom Pollard made motion, Tim Hanna 2nd, vote unanimous.

- Discussion of Municipal Parking. Not a priority.

- Planning Board member recruitment. The following planning board members’ terms expire:

Jackie Centerwall 12/31/2012

Tom Pollard 12/31/2013

Tim Hanna 12/31/2014

Doug Garnar 12/31/2015

Robert Brooks 12/31/2016

Correspondence – Ideas: -The old mill could possibly be made into a hydro-electric power-plant.

-Unmanned gas/diesel station on route 41 near to the post office.

-Jackie Centerwall Will respond with standard letter.

4– Old Business

- Site Plan Review Update - Still working on it.

5– Motion to adjourn. Tom Pollard made motion, Robert Brooks 2nd, vote unanimous. 8:53 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Dylan Huff – Planning Board Clerk