

**TOWN OF SMITHVILLE
PLANNING BOARD MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2024**

I. CALL TO ORDER: Board member Kehl called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. ATTENDANCE:

Planning Board Members Present: Marie Kehl, Robert Brooks, Dakota Warren, Kenneth Whitmore, Donna Marie Utter, Clerk.

Planning Board Members Absent: Joshua Brigham

Others in Attendance: Mike Zimmer

III. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Motion made by board member Warren, seconded by board member Brooks to approve the minutes from the May 1, 2024 meeting. Board members Kehl, Warren and Brooks voted "Aye", Board member Whitmore abstained as he was not at the meeting – motion passed.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Site Plan Review – Jason and Mary Rood, 152 Linderman Avenue, Kingston, New York purchased 50 acres on Winner Road, Tax Map #193.-1-20.1, and have submitted a Site Plan Review for said property to building a 28' by 30' open-sided pole barn. They are looking for a variance to building the pole barn 50' from the center of Winner Road, which does not meet the required set-back of at least 75' from the center of any road. The Board discussed the ability, due to the amount of acreage, to locate the pole barn elsewhere on the property and the recommendation of the Highway Superintendent, Vince Witkowski.

- Motion made by Board member Brooks, seconded by Board member Whitmore, that the request for a variance by Jason and Mary Rood regarding the erection of a pole barn on their property, Tax Map #193.-1-20.1, as presented was denied. All members voted "Aye" – motion passed. A letter will be sent to the Rood's regarding the Board's decision.

2. Resignation/Open Position – Joshua Brigham has submitted a resignation from the Planning Board due to conflicts with his job. A letter of interest was previously received from Joseph Brant and Karen Cammarata. After a discussion regarding the vacancy:

- A motion was made by Board member Warren, seconded by Board member Whitmore, to recommend that the Town Board appoint Joseph Brant to the vacancy on the Planning Board. All members voted "Aye" – motion passed.

A letter regarding the Planning Board's recommendation will be sent to the Town Board.

3. Mike Zimmer – Mike Zimmer addressed the Board regarding concerns he has

pertaining to a piece of property that has been sold between his property and Alison Owens'. The property is only 1.6 acres and his concerns regard the possibility of any plans to build on the property. The Board stated that due to the property being less than 2 acres, any proposed building on the lot would need a Site Plan Review and thus far, the Board has not received any such request.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Comprehensive Plan – Updates are continuing to be made. Board member Kehl gave the Clerk pertinent information from the 2020 Census to be used in the Comprehensive Plan.

2. Review of Refuse and Junk Laws – The Board began reviewing the current Refuse Disposal Law. The following changes were discussed and made:

ARTICLE 1: GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Title – change to "Refuse Disposal and Junk Storage Law"
2. Declaration of Purpose – last sentence add: "and disposal of refuse and junk storage within the Town of Smithville."
3. d. Refuse Collector – remove entire section
3. e. Trash – remove "brushes, branches, Christmas trees, lawn rakings, and similar waste materials"

ARTICLE 2: STORAGE AND TRANSPORTATION OF REFUSE

5. a. Delete "collection and/or" and change last word of sentence to "them".
5. b. Delete entire paragraph
5. c. First sentence to read "Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prohibit the maintenance of compost or mulch piles." Delete remainder of paragraph.
7. Transportation of refuse on public roads or highways – delete entirely.

ARTICLE 3: LICENSING OF REFUSE COLLECTORS

Delete entire sections.

The Board also discussed how to fold the Junk Storage portion into the revised Refuse Law. Board member Whitmore indicated that the Town of Lincklaen has a short comprehensive Refuse/Junk Law which may be more applicable to the Town of Smithville. He will forward a copy of the law to Board member Kehl for distribution to the other members for their review.

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

- A motion to adjourn was made by Board member Warren, seconded by Board member Whitmore, to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

Next Planning Board Meeting is Wednesday, July 3, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.