Town of Lindley Planning Board Meeting

Lindley Town Hall, 637 County Route 115, Box 62, Lindley, NY 14858

July 15, 2024

Official minutes held at the Town Clerk's Office

Planning Board Members Present:

Earl Titus Willis Haar Ed Foote Larry Swan

Members Absent:

Deb King

Public Attendance:

Jennifer Cisco

Roger Reep

7:03 pm: Meeting called to order by Earl Titus

June 17th meeting minutes read and amended

Motion by: Ed Foote to accept minutes as amended

Second by: Larry Swan

All in Favor: Motion carried.

July 1 workshop minutes dispersed for Board review.

Earl states he still hasn't heard from the County regarding the solar project. Callie is going to amend the Town of Caroline solar laws for us to work with as our new draft going forward. The board explains the amendments for her to make. Earl asks if anyone has considered offering a preliminary approval with conditions to possibly get the project moving forward. Ed thought that we had done this already, but Willis points out that Dennis needs to complete open items before we can give any approvals. Ed spoke with NYSEG twice and they made it clear that applicant needs to contact them and get a case started before they can do anything. Willis points out that this isn't a bad project scope, but we simply need our requirements met. SEQR report needs corrections. Board discussion on the best way to get together with Dennis and work through questions and answers with him to get things completed. Willis and Ed have attempted to work through things with Dennis over the phone with no success. Everyone feels that the best results would be reached with a face-to-face encounter. Willis is going to contact and let Dennis know that we are ready to finalize things, but we need to work through these final items. We will not be having an Executive session as this situation does not call for such an act. Email received from Dennis, during this meeting. He wondered when the SEQR public meeting would be

held. Earl questions if this must be a public hearing. The board agrees this does not need to be a public hearing as it is simply to complete SEQR forms. We do need to hold public hearings when approvals/denials are being given. Board discusses that the 30 days for the County to respond regarding this project are met. The Town will be moving forward with forms and processes. The board will work through the final draft of solar laws at the August 5th workshop. We would like Dennis to attend the August 19th meeting. Willis is going to reach out and invite him.

Earl asks if anyone has other concerns. Willis asks results of Zoning Board of Appeals decision on the new garage structure located 1120 River Road, Lindley, NY. Earl states it was approved. Willis wanted to state that he was not notified of the meeting directly regarding this project as he has Ag district property within the 500 ft. of the project site. This is part of the County's right to farm law. The property is within the Ag district so would fall under these laws. Ed asks how to get copies of the maps showing Ag districts and any other districts we should know about. Board members can request these from the County.

Callie distributes draft of solar laws for board to review before our August 5th workshop. Earl asks if anyone has other items for discussion. No one did.

Motion to adjourn: by Willis Haar at 7:53

Second by: Larry Swan

All in favor: Motion carried

Respectfully submitted

Jennifer Cisco, Recording Clerk