

Planning Board

Town of Columbus, Chenango County, New York

Minutes: Meeting of Feb 17, 2011

Planning Board Members present: Susan LaFever (town board liaison), Lori Horner, Kay Winton, Mike Simons, Wells Horton, Liz Vermeulen and Jack Harper as a pending member

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Wells Horton.

Review of Previous minutes: Motion made by Mike to accept the previous minutes as corrected. Seconded by Lori, and approved by all.

Communications:

A. Public Comment: none

B. Town Board meeting items on the agenda were reviewed by Susan

Roger Adams officially resigned as a planning board member for his term ending 2012.

Membership for Jack Harper is on hold until it can be verified that there is no conflict of interest due to his position on the Board of Assessment Review. Susan will check on this for the next meeting.

Alan Smith resigned from the Town Board as they are moving away; Susan LaFever resigned from the planning Board and was appointed to fill the Alan's term on the Town Board. Susan will also be the Town Board Liaison to the Planning Board.

Susan presented the Road Preservation Law and read the letter she had drafted for the planning board to the Town Board. The draft law as well as the Sanitation law was adopted by Kavin Winton and he will now be responsible for moving both laws forward.

Planning Board terms are up for Mike Simons and Liz Vermeulen and the recommendation for membership needs to be presented at the March Town Board meeting. Oath of Office must be signed by the next week's planning board meeting. The planning board may want to consider term endings during the January meeting to give more opportunity to get the Oath of Office signed as terms expire the last day of February. Current terms are: Mike Simons and Lori Horner – 2011 Susan LaFever – 2012 Wells Horton – 2013 Lori Horner and Kay Winton – 2014

Updates have been made to the town website. Carol Kinney is the contact person to have information added to the website. Susan research what is appropriate information for the town's website.

Reports and Action on Old Business: none

New Business:

Organizational Meeting: open positions for Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, & Ag member

Chair – Wells Horton Vice – Chair - Kay Winton Secretary – Lori Horner Ag Member – Liz Vermeulen

A motion was made by Liz to accept the positions as filled. Seconded by Mike. All in favor.

Goals for the current year:

- A. Work with the Town Board & finalize:
 - 1. Site Plan Review Law
 - 2. Sanitation Law
 - 3. Road Preservation Law including the Driveway Permit
- B. Continue reviewing changes to the Subdivision Law and finalize the Subdivision Law.
- C. Continue to update wording and Fees/Penalties of all existing laws.
- D. Continue research on topics relevant to the town – natural gas exploration, wind power, zoning, etc.
- E. Being to process all Site Plan Review applications.

Assignments for next meeting March 17, 2011:

- A. Current project – review of Subdivision Law through Google docs
- B. Bring a possible candidate for membership

Email address for Jack Harper - memchip@frontiernet.net

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM. Motion by Mike and seconded by Lori.

Next meeting:

Thursday, Mar 17, 2010 at 7:00 PM at Town Hall.

As always, we ask that you please contact Wells if you are unable to attend the meeting.

Minutes submitted by K Winton