



ALLEGANY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

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Allegany County Planning Board Minutes: January 21, 2015

Members Present: Robert Ellis, William Emrick, Brian Fanton, Dale Foster, Lee Gridley, Jon Gorton, Larry Kaminski, James Ninos, Valerie Perkins, John Stoltzfus

Guests Present: Daniel Action, Mitch Alger, Ann Baldwin, Don Cameron, Bob Chaffee, Sherman Clark, Linda Clayson, Judy Cooper, Curt Crandall, Kathy Crandall, David Decker, Lynette Decker, Kier Dirlam, Lisa Dirlam, Mary Faga, Darwin Fanton, Jo Fenske, Gail Foster, Justin Grigg, Gretchen Hanchett, Eva Heaney, William Heaney, William Hendricks, Richard Hull Jr., Chuck Jessup, Dawn Ketchner, Ginny LaForge, Kevin LaForge, Judith Lynch, John Maynard, Fiona McCrea, Vicki Joyce Middaugh, Lauren Oliver, David Pullen, Nancy Jo Pullen, Patience Reagan, Debra Root, Dana Ross, Don Skinner, Wendy Skinner, Tammy Stoltzfus, Norman Ungerman, Bill Whitfield, Cathleen Whitfield

Location: Wellsville Country Club, Wellsville, New York

Chairman Lee Gridley provided opening greetings to attendees and distinguished guests of the Annual Allegany County Planning Board dinner and business meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by William Heaney

The Invocation was led by David Pullen

Following a delicious buffet dinner, Chairman Lee Gridley convened the business meeting.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Lee Gridley facilitated the introductions of attendees, county, town, and village planning board members and distinguished guests.

William Heaney also recited a letter written by Senator Young to thank the planning board for their work and invitation and also in regrets for her absence.

II. ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING:

- A. The official business meeting was called to order at 8:04 PM by Chairman Lee Gridley.
- B. Nominating Committee Report: Chair of the Nominating Committee, Dale Foster presented the following slate of officers for 2015:
 - a. Chairman: Lee Gridley
 - b. Vice Chair: Dale Foster
 - c. Secretary: Larry Kaminski
 - d. Assistant Secretary: Valerie Perkins

On a motion by James Ninos and seconded by Bob Ellis, the planning board members voted to close nominations and for the secretary to cast one vote for the proposed slate of officers for 2015. Motion passed.

The Allegany County Planning Board meeting was suspended at 8:05 PM for the purpose of the scheduled guest program and presentation.

III. GUEST PROGRAM

- A **Data and Efficiency in Allegany County:** Chair Lee Gridley introduced County Planner, Kier Dirlam and Town of Alfred Supervisor Justin Grigg to present on the county's intentions to unveil an online GIS program and explain on how this will interplay with efficiency efforts.

- B. **Guest Program Closing Remarks:** Curt Crandall, Chairman of the Allegany County Board of Legislators closed the program with remarks on development in Allegany County and to extend his thanks and gratitude on behalf of the entire Allegany County Board of Legislators.

Following the disbursement of guests, the regular ACPB business meeting was reconvened at 8:55 PM

IV. MINUTES:

The minutes for December 17, 2014 were reviewed: **On a motion by Bob Ellis and 2nd by James Ninos, the minutes from December 17, 2014 were reviewed and approved.**

V. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Village of Alfred: – Kier Dirlam provided and reviewed a site map, a short environmental assessment form, and an information packet from the Allegany County Soil & Water Conservation District regarding proposed development plans for the Brookside Apartment Complex. The project shall intend to construct 8 – 2-bedroom apartments on Glen St in Alfred, NY. The Village has reviewed and approved this project a number of years ago and the village and developer also recently recognized that county planning board review and approval shall also be necessary to move this project forward. Because of the time that has passed since the original review had taken place, a new SEQR form was completed on 1/19/15, also submitted to the Village of Alfred on 1/21/15 to re-ensure that there will be no known environmental impacts associated with this project.

Following review and discussion, the following requests and questions were proposed:

1. The ACPB requests for a more specific site location map.
2. Will the site be utilized for student or family housing?
3. Is the project being constructed on a previously “filled” area?
4. Is the site located near or adjacent to any flood plains?
5. Due to concerns over run-off, is there any stormwater management plan in development or in place?

In light of additional requests for information and questions raised, K. Dirlam shall forward the above listed requests and questions to the appropriate village/developer personnel.

On a motion by Valerie Perkins, and a 2nd by Dale Foster, the ACPB shall table any further actions and/or determination until additional response to requests and questions are provided.

- B. Town of Allen: Kier Dirlam provided and reviewed a local law filing and an environmental assessment form regarding a proposal for the prohibition within the Town of Allen of natural gas and petroleum exploration and extraction activities, underground storage of natural gas, and disposal of natural gas or petroleum extraction, exploration, and production wastes as received from the David Stottje law office. Following review and discussion the following additional questions/inquiries were raised by ACPB members:

1. Can the ACPB be provided with supporting explanation and/or motivation regarding the town’s intentions on the moratorium?
2. Is there evidence of support from local officials and community?
3. Can local officials be made available to the ACPB to answer additional questions?

In light of additional requests for information and questions raised, K. Dirlam shall forward the above listed requests and questions to the appropriate town personnel.

On a motion by Larry Kaminski, and a 2nd by Dale Foster, the ACPB shall table any further actions and/or determination until additional response to requests and questions are provided.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

None

VII. CORRESPONDENCE:

None

VIII. REPORTS:

None

IX. GOOD OF THE ORDER

None

X. ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by William Emrick, and 2nd by Dale Foster, the meeting was adjourned at 9:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Kaminski, Secretary