

TOWN OF ESOPUS PLANNING BOARD MINUTES
MEETING CONDUCTED VIA ZOOM
February 22, 2021

PRESENT: Chairperson Roxanne Pecora, Vice- Chairperson Darin DeKoskie, Mark Anderson, David Mastny and Greg McCord

EXCUSED: Dan Michaud

ALSO PRESENT: Planning Board Consultant Tom Shepstone, Councilman Chris Farrell, Attorney Kyle Barnett and Building Inspector Mark Jaffee

Chairperson Pecora called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

MINUTES:

Chairperson Pecora entertained a Motion to approve the January 25, 2021 Minutes as amended. Upon Motion of Vice Chairman Darin DeKoskie, seconded by Member Mark Anderson and the affirmative vote of all Members, the motion passed 5-0-1.

INTERVIEWS FOR POTENTIAL PLANNING BOARD MEMBER

Chris Marta

Michael Hyman

Salvatore Morello

An interview of each candidate took place by the Planning Board.

Chairperson Pecora called for a Motion to enter into the executive session. Upon Motion of Member David Mastny, seconded by Member Mark Anderson and the affirmative vote of all Members, the Planning Board entered into executive session at 8:07 p.m.

Chairperson Pecora called for a motion directing the Administrative Assistant to draft recommendation letter to the Town Board relative to the Planning Board's selection. Upon Motion of Vice Chairman Darin DeKoskie, seconded by Member David Mastny and the affirmative vote of all Members, the direction to the Administrative Assistant was confirmed.

Chairperson Pecora called for a Motion to exit executive session and return to the regular meeting of the Planning Board. Upon Motion of Member David Mastny, seconded by Member Mark Anderson and affirmative vote of all Members, the Planning Board resumed regular business at 8:10 p.m.

Cooper Subdivision – 603 Old Post Road; Case No. 2021-2; SBL No. 71.2-3-19.111; R40 Zoning District

Owner Dennis Cooper was present.

Planner Shepstone provided a review of his recommendations and comments to the Planning Board. The map needed to have the title block revised to reflect that it was a subdivision, not a lot line adjustment as well as corrections in the Planning Board’s signature block, owner’s endorsement and indication on the plans of the line being inserted. Updated Ulster County Board of Health of Approval and approval from the Ulster County Highway Department for the proposed driveway would be needed. Chairperson Pecora added that the recreation fee would also be necessary. Mr. Cooper noted that he had paid recreation fees for the original 5 lot subdivision in 2004 and asked the Planning Board to consider.

Chairperson Pecora called for a Motion for the Planning Board to declare itself Lead Agency. Upon Motion of Vice Chairman Darin DeKoskie, seconded by Member Mark Anderson and the affirmative vote of 5 members, 1 member being excused, and the negative vote of 0 Members, the Motion passed by the following vote:

Roxanne Pecora	Aye
Darin DeKoskie	Aye
Greg McCord	Aye
Mark Anderson	Aye
David Mastny	Aye

Chairperson Pecora called for a Motion for the Planning Board to schedule the Public Hearing on March 15, 2021 at 7:35 p.m. conditioned upon receipt of revised maps. Upon Motion of Vice Chairman DeKoskie, seconded by Member Mark Anderson and the affirmative vote of 5 members, 1 member being excused, and the negative vote of 0 Members, the Motion passed by the following vote:

Roxanne Pecora	Aye
Darin DeKoskie	Aye
Greg McCord	Aye
Mark Anderson	Aye
David Mastny	Aye

Discussion on Draft Local Laws - Zoning

Chairperson Pecora reviewed content of e-mail received from LaBerge Consultant Matt Rogers. Vice-Chairman DeKoskie stated he would reply to Planner Rogers relative to pre-existing commercial businesses and that a previous conversation had taken place.

Planner Shepstone had provided cursory comments with regard to the proposed amendments and provided a review of his recommendations. Upon verification of Planner Shepstone's comments, those comments could then be shared with Planner Rogers. Attorney Barnett provided his opinions on the proposed changes but he had not formally drafted an official recommendation. Attorney Barnett suggested that Planner Shepstone could initiate a conversation with Planner Rogers to help streamline the recommendation process. Thereafter, it was agreed that Planning Board Attorney Barnett, Planner Shepstone and Planner Matt Rogers would meet off-line as needed.

Upon Motion of Member Mark Anderson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Darin DeKoskie, the meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Lisa K. Mance, Administrative Assistant

Date prepared: March 7, 2021

Date approved: March 15, 2021