

Germantown Planning Board Minutes

February 22, 2018

Members in attendance: Chairman Steve Reynolds, Tim Otty, Peter Dedrick, George Sharpe, Margaret della Cioppa, and Kerrie Abela. Town Attorney Tal Rappleyea also in attendance.

Meeting is opened at 7:00 p.m.

Review of January 25th Minutes

Chairman Reynolds discussed with the board the Equestrian Center and would like the minutes amended to state that the applicant stated no commercial events were to be held. In spite of this statement, postcards, brochures and signs posted around town by the applicant advertise such public events. Upon completion of review, one of the conditions of approval listed in the Notice of Action may be certain restrictions on such events.

Members continued the review of the January 25 minutes and on advisement of Town Attorney Rappleyea, Tim made a motion to table the minutes, pending revision. The motion was seconded by Margaret with all in favor and none opposed.

Attorney Rappleyea asked Chairman Reynolds for brief adjournment of meeting for Attorney/Client discussion. Motion is made by Tim to adjourn meeting for Attorney/Client Session, seconded by Peter with all in favor and none opposed.

At 7:35 p.m. Kerrie made a motion to re-open meeting, seconded by George, with all in favor and none opposed.

Bunn/Burns: Site Plan Review

Jesse Cutaia presented to the Board, on behalf of Ms. Bunn and Mr. Burns, with an Application to install a ground mounted solar electric system, to be located at 385 Church Avenue, Germantown. Per Town Counsel, ground mounted systems must be reviewed by the Planning Board, for Site Plan Review. Margaret made a motion to declare application complete, seconded by Kerrie with all in favor and none opposed. Tim Made a motion to declare the board Lead Agency, seconded by Margaret with all in favor and none opposed. This location is on a County Road, therefore in accordance with General Municipal Law 239(l) & (m) will be referred to Columbia County Planning board for review. Notice of Action will state that the action is subject to review by the Code Enforcement Officer and the electrical inspector. Margaret made a motion to set Public Hearing, seconded by Peter with all in favor and none opposed.

Primax/Dollar General: Findings Statement and Site Plan Review

The Board reviewed all amendments and changes to the Draft Findings Statement. Member Tim will make changes and provide copy to Attorney Rappleyea and Board. On a Motion by Tim, Seconded by Kerrie with all in favor and none opposed the Findings Statement was accepted as Amended. The SEQRA review process was thus completed.

In beginning the site plan review phase of the application, Adam Sellner and Larry Marshall requested suggestions from Board for the styling of the façade. The Board made various suggestions, which will be incorporated into new renderings and submitted to the board via email for further comment. The applicant will return in March for continued review.

On a motion by Margaret, seconded by Kerrie with all in favor and none opposed this meeting is closed at 9:20p.m.

Note: An audio recording of the meeting was made and is on file at Germantown Town Hall. It is available to the public on request.

Jami L. DelPozzo- Planning and Zoning Secretary