

**MINUTES
SENECA COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
JULY 12, 2012**

**HEROES 9-11-01 CONFERENCE ROOM
COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
WATERLOO, NEW YORK**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Keith Beck, Betty Berger, William Dalrymple, Donald Denman, Edward Franzoni, Jack Freer, Sally Kenyon (late arrival), Pam Kirk, Mark Lott, Ronald McGreevy, Tom Scoles and John Swanson

ABSENT WITH NOTICE: Gordon Burgess

ABSENT WITHOUT NOTICE: Charles Boehnke

STAFF: Harriet Haynes, Planner and Mary DeStefano, Staff Resources Asst., Department of Planning and Community Development

GUESTS: None

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson William Dalrymple.

The Minutes of the June 14, 2012 meeting were approved by a motion of Ronald McGreevy and seconded by Donald Denman. Carried 11 – 0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

GML Reviews:

1) John Swanson moved and Betty Berger seconded adoption of Resolution 33-12, recommending that the request for an Area Variance be left solely to local determination. The application was submitted by Xylem, known as the former Water Systems-ITT, located on East Bayard Street in the Town of Seneca Falls. Saxton Sign Corporation is the contractor hired to install the signs. The installation of new signs is to reflect the name change, and the Variance is necessary because Seneca Falls Town Zoning is quite strict regarding allowed square footage. Ms. Haynes stated that the signs are of various sizes, and most will be a distance from the County Road. The existing zoning for the area is M-1 Industrial. Carried 11 – 0.

2) Tom Scoles moved and Mark Lott seconded adoption of Resolution 34-12, which recommends that a request for a Subdivision Review be approved with conditions. The applicants, Seneca Knit Development and Ferrara & Sons Lumber Supply, Inc., wish to swap land on West Bayard Street in the Town of Seneca Falls. Ferrara & Sons Lumber Supply, Inc. backs up to property owned by Seneca Knit Development. Ms. Haynes stated that the application submitted indicates that Seneca Knit Development would like to construct a clock tower, and the exchange of property will make the "jog" currently owned by Ferrara Lumber into the Seneca Knit property less pronounced, and both parties should benefit. Ms. Haynes displayed the subdivision map and pointed out the proposed transfer of land. The subdivision will allow the exchange of parcels. The transfer of land will be as follows: 1) Parcel 1A of 10,977 Sq. Ft. (.252 acres) to be transferred from Seneca Knit to Ferrara Lumber; 2) Parcel 2A of 703 Sq. Ft. (.016 acres) to be transferred from Seneca Knit to Ferrara Lumber and 3) Parcel 3A of 4,326 Sq. Ft. to be transferred from Ferrara Lumber to Seneca Knit. When asked the size of the clock tower, Ms. Haynes stated that the Environmental Assessment Form only refers to the clock tower project with no information provided. Conditional approval is recommended upon the smaller parcels identified as

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Parcel 1A, 2A and 3A on the map included in the application be attached to an adjacent property and not be stand-alone parcels. Carried 11 – 0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Election of Officers:

Chairman Dalrymple asked for volunteers to serve on the Nominating Committee. John Swanson and Donald Denman were appointed to serve as the Nominating Committee and will submit names for Chair and Co-Chair at next month's County Planning Board meeting. The Floor will then be opened for the nomination of any others and an election will follow.

Establish Dates and Times of Upcoming Meetings:

Ms. Haynes stated that the dates and time of County Planning Board meetings need to be established. The current schedule is for meetings to be held the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Member, Jack Freer, asked if there is any chance of changing the time from 7:00 to 6:30 p.m. Chairperson Dalrymple stated that the 7:00 p.m. slot allows for travel time for members coming from the south end of the county. The later time also provides farmers with longer daylight for working in the fields and vineyards. After further discussion, it was the general consensus to keep the schedule as is – second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. The upcoming meeting dates are: 8-9, 9-13, 10-11, 11-08, 12-13, 1-10-13, 2-14, 3-14, 4-11, 5-09, 6-13, and 7-11.

Former County Planning Board Member:

Chairman Dalrymple stated that he made a donation in memory of Donald Shepherd to the Notre Dame Retreat House on behalf of the Seneca County Planning Board.

May 2012 GML Review of Finger Lakes Christian Fellowship:

Chairperson Dalrymple sent a letter to the Department of State in response to an inquiry regarding the issue of the proximity between schools or churches and residences of registered sex offenders. Mr. Dalrymple distributed a copy of the Department of State response letter to all members present. Discussion pursued regarding the matter.

NEW BUSINESS:

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m. by motion of John Swanson and seconded by Betty Berger.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary DeStefano
Staff Resources Asst.