

The Town of Scipio Planning Board met on Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at the Town of Scipio office, 3705 State Rte. 34, Scipio Center, NY 13147.

Attending: Melissa Alford, Andy Miller, Peter Rogers, Paul Remond

Excused: Josh Saville

Others present: Ann Robson, Connie O’Hearn, Gary Mutchler, Jeff Eaton, Susan Allen, Joanne Nombris, Jerry Marciniac, Gary Mulvaney, Jr., Anita Dungey, Chris Montreuil, Wendy Montreuil, Chuck Hilliard, Susan Hilliard, Melissa Denman.

Chair Alford called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Approved the September 25, 2024 meeting minutes. Motion by Rogers, second by Miller.  
All in favor. 4/0

#### New Business

- Donald Wierbinski: site plan review and building permit application at 4570 State Rte. 38, Auburn, NY 13021. Tax Map # 144.00-1-9.4.

Contractor Gary Mulvaney, Jr. presented the house plans and spoke of the swale that will be built behind the house for control of potential surface runoff. The septic system design and application to the county’s Environmental Health Department is waiting for their approval. Due to the slope of the parcel, sediment control measures will need to be in place before construction begins. Motion to approve this application, contingent on the county’s approval of the septic system design was made by Miller, second by Rogers. All in favor. 4/0

#### Old Business

- Update on the following with Liberty-Renewable’s Agricola Project
  - Paul Redmond shared information and concern with turbine construction waste and unregulated dump sites of both short- and long-term waste products. Town Attorney Eaton stated this concern can be added to the list of items to be included in the Host Community Agreement. He will look at current zoning on specifics with dumping waste products. Attorney Eaton requested from those present that any other items they would like to be considered for the Host Community Agreement be submitted to him by 12.1.24.
  - Connie O’Hearn spoke on several community health concerns. She showed a video clip of Attorney Gary Abrahams speaking on the *Health Impacts of Industrial Wind* at a 2019 conference held at Niagara University. Town attorney Eaton explained that the Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES) will conduct an environmental review. He encouraged that the best way is to participate in the process, show up for presentations, and our citizens be prepared for the

ORES process. It is understood that the Agricola project application will be submitted on 10.31.24 to ORES. The projected timeline if approved, has construction in 2027. Town Attorney Eaton requested of those present that he be cc'ed in all correspondence with Liberty-Renewable going forward.

Next meeting, third Wednesday, November 20, 2024, 6:30pm.

Adjournment at 7:55pm. Motion by Miller, second by Rogers. All in favor 4/0

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Robson, Planning Board Secretary