

Town of Scipio Planning Board

March 6, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Present: Melissa Alford, Andy Miller, Peter Rogers, Josh Saville, Mike Nolan

Others: Jeff Eaton, Patrick Doyle, Ann Robson, Connie O'Hearn, Keith Welsh, Brittany Murro, Mitchell Van Fleet, Frank Ninivaggi, Susan Higgins, Gary Mutchler

- Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Chairperson Melissa Alford.
- Approval of the January 24, 2024 meeting minutes. Motion made by Nolan, second by Rogers. All in favor. 5/0
- Old Business
 - Review of proposed changes to Zoning Ordinance – Town Attorney Eaton reviewed the draft amendments to the town's Zoning Ordinance. The town Planning Board was asked to review and ask questions before the March 27, 2024 meeting.
 - Review of suggested Sediment and Erosion Control Ordinances by the Owasco Lake Watershed Management Council. No action was taken as the current ordinance has sufficient articles present.
 - Liberty Renewable Wind Turbine project – The impact to town roads and maintenance is being discussed at a meeting scheduled March 28, 2024 with local stakeholders reported M. Nolan. Town Attorney Eaton concurred Liberty Renewable does not consider the current setback of 3.0 for non-participating dwellings, a reasonable accommodation. This set back may change to 2.5 or 2.0. Chairperson Alford asked the board to review what is proposed and ask questions of Attorney Eaton prior to the scheduled vote at the March 27, 2024 meeting.
 - Suggested water testing to establish a baseline. Citizen Science Institute from Ithaca, NY is compiling a proposed list of tests to measure impacts to groundwater sources from the installation of the turbine pylons.
- New Business
 - Ninivaggi: Site Plan Review – Motion to approve application for a porch addition on 30 FL 19 was made by Miller, second by Nolan. All in favor 5/0.
 - Buller: Minor subdivision Application – 3311 Rte. 38. Motion to approve the parcel lot sub-division application was made by Saville, second by Miller. All in favor 5/0
 - McAteer: Building Permit Application –53 FL 23. Motion to approve the removal of existing stairs and adding new deck with stairs was made by Nolan, second by Saville. All in favor 5/0.

- Keith Welch, Scipio ZBA Chairperson announced that the April 2, 2024 ZBA meeting is a training “Conducting a Public Meeting “to be presented by Connor Anderson and Jeff Eaton of Bond, Schoeneck and King. He extended an invitation to Scipio Planning Board members to attend this training session at 7 pm.
- Susan Higgins requested a copy of the red line changes to the current Zoning Ordinance from Attorney Eaton.
- Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 27, 2024, 6:30pm.
- Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 7:12pm was made by Nolan, second by Miller. All in favor 5/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Robson, Town Clerk

Secretary to the Town of Scipio Planning Board