

VILLAGE OF SCOTIA PLANNING BOARD

Meeting Minutes

February 3, 2020 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order:

Chair Eric Buskirk called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Attendance: Planning Board Members – Eric Buskirk, Gregg Zeman, Tim Goyette, Alternate Member Jesus Santiago, Board of Trustees Liaison George Solotruck, Village Attorney Lydia Marola,

Voting members: Eric Buskirk, Gregg Zeman, Tim Goyette, Jesus Santiago

Excused:, Bryan Reed, Carl Yanoch, Building/Plumbing Inspector Luis Aguero

Minutes of the Planning Board meeting held July 1, 2019

Tabled

Minutes of the Planning Board meeting held January 6, 2020

Motion: by Eric Buskirk; Seconded by Tim Goyette;

That the minutes of the January 6, 2020 Planning Board meeting are hereby approved.

All in favor.

4 Washington Avenue (Iroquois Street) – Active Solar Development and Raymond Piotrowski

a.) Public Hearing

Representatives Ryan Farnum of Creighton Manning and Frank McCleneghen of Active Solar were in attendance to present the application to install a Community Solar Array at the parcel ID 39.39-1-1. The official address is 4 Washington Avenue. An overview of the proposal was presented to the public. The applicant has provided a decommissioning plan as requested by the Planning Board. The applicant also changed site plan to reflect a fence height of 7-foot as well as the existing easement on the property as requested by the Planning Board.

Chair Eric Buskirk opened the public hearing at 7:14

- E. Tom Neals – 39 Washington Avenue
 - Concerned with effect on potential flooding
 - Inquired about coverage of eligible customers for National Grid discount
 - Inquired if an archeologist would be involved with review of the site
 - Concerned about depreciation of home value
- Peggy Bruez – 31 Washington Avenue
 - Inquired if size of project can be reduced
 - Concerned with effect on potential flooding
 - Concerned about appearance and depreciation of home value
- Sue Green – 25 Washington Avenue
 - Concerned with depreciation of property value
 - Concerned with effect on potential flooding
- David Rosenberg – 35 Washington Avenue
 - Concerned with depreciation of property value
 - Concerned with effect on potential flooding
 - Dislikes appearance
 - Requests to review archeology review reports
- Linda Gibbons – 33 Washington Avenue

- Concerned with effect on potential flooding
- Concerned with the impact on wildlife
- Concerned with potential damage to municipal sewer lines
- Matt Brown – 37 Washington Avenue
 - Concerned with effect on flooding
 - Dislikes appearance
 - Inquired about the minimum setback requirements

Chair Eric Buskirk closed the public hearing at 8:35

b.) Discussion

The applicant will continue to provide information as requested and will return to the next regularly scheduled Planning Board meeting for further review. Residents will also be permitted to review the Planning Board file related to this project in the Village Clerk's Office upon request.

c.) Action

Motion: Eric Buskirk; Seconded by Gregg Zeman;
 That the application shall be reviewed further during the March Planning Board Meeting.
 All in favor.

Training Status Report:

Current Training Hours: Eric Buskirk: -5.5
 Bryan Reed: -8
 Carl Yanoch: -4
 Gregg Zeman: -1
 Tim Goyette: 0
 Alternate Jesus Santiago: 0

New Business:

Verizon micro cell tower installation is complete. Code to be reviewed for future installations.

Old Business:

None.

Adjournment:

Motion: By Erick Buskirk; seconded by Gregg Zeman;
 To adjourn meeting at 9:25 pm.
 All in favor.

Respectively submitted,

Newe Haile
 Village of Scotia Planning Board Clerk