



Planning Board ★★★★★★★

Chairwoman Donna Salamone called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM in the Board Room at the Schuyler Town Office, 2090 State Route 5, Utica, NY 13502.

Other Planning Board members present were Vice Chair David Fusillo, Victor Costanza, Michael Ritter, Jean Finster, Daniel Tripoli, and Alternate Member Dale Dodge, who was not seated. Absent was James Digristina.

Other Town officials present were Supervisor Anthony J. Lucenti, Councilman Rodney Dodge, Administrative Assistant to the Supervisor Jeff Dingman, and Codes Officer Philip Green.

Also present was Town resident Richard Finster.

MINUTES

Motion by Victor Costanza, seconded by Jean Finster to approve the minutes of the April, 2018 meeting as presented; all in favor. Motion Carried.

DISCUSSION: ZONING MAP UPDATE

Chairwoman Donna Salamone said it would be a good idea to update the zoning map prior to embarking on the Master Plan update. Members agreed. Discussion ensued regarding available professionals to assist the Planning Board in performing the update. It was noted Jeff Quackenbush who attended last month's meeting had indicated his office would be available to do the work, since they have all the overlays for existing infrastructure, at a \$50 hourly fee. Mr. Tripoli suggested obtaining another quote. Mr. Green stated Mohawk Valley GIS has a new owner, whom he will contact to obtain more information and their availability, and he will report back to the Planning Board and Supervisor.

TOWN MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The Planning Board members were provided with copies of the Town of Schuyler's current Master Plan, which was developed in 1965. Discussion ensued regarding future development of the Town's infrastructure and how grant funding might be obtained. It was the general consensus of the Board that if the Town is to move forward, sewer lines need to be extended. This will provide the essential incentives for continued growth, in terms of business and industrial development.

Chairwoman Salamone suggested forming sub-committees as a way the Planning Board could investigate available resources for identified needs that will enable the Town to move forward, also suggesting the members may well prefer addressing these issues as a full Board.

It was agreed future meetings will also involve the hunt for a grant writer who needs to possess a successful track record. A committee or perhaps one individual will be assigned to follow the process so as to ensure all is in order before the grant application is submitted.

NEED FOR ANIMAL CONTROL LAW

Mr. Green stated he has had many complaints from Town residents regarding neighbors' animals infringing on their property, but there is nothing in the Town Law to provide him with the leverage he needs to act on these complaints. He therefore requested the Planning Board to commence on development of an animal control law, similar to those of other municipalities which include increased fines for repeated offences.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to come before the Planning Board; therefore, the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM on a motion by Daniel Tripoli and seconded by David Fusillo.

—Bette Szesny, Recording Secretary