

TOWN OF SCHUYLER PLANNING BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 15, 2020
RE: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO LOCAL LAW #2-2017

Vice Chairman David Fusillo called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in the Board Room at the Schuyler Town Office, 2090 State Route 5, Utica, NY 13502. Other Planning Board members present were: Jean Finster, Victor Costanza, Daniel Tripoli, Alternate Member Dale Dodge and Codes Officer Phil Green. Absent were Chairwoman Donna Salamone (excused), Michael Ritter (excused) and James Digristina (excused).

Also present were Kevin Murphy, Esq., Christopher Biamonte, Esq., Councilmen Rodney Dodge and Joseph Juliano, Clerk Jeffrey Dingman, and several members of the public including Richard Finster, Julie Todd, Thomas Todd, Ken Green, Michael T. Lavallo, DDS, Cheryl Bletsch, Frank A. Spatto, A. Eugene Snyder, Susanna Newton, Adam Spatto, Michelle Treen, Craig Treen, Frank P. Spatto, Richard Finster, Linda Spatto, Harold Moss, Cate Ricci and Kyle Treen. Bette Szesny served as recording secretary.

Vice Chairman David Fusillo led the assembled persons in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Vice Chairman Fusillo then stated the Planning Board is assembled here tonight for one reason only: to recommend or not recommend the Town Board's approval of the proposed local law No. 2 of 2020 which would allow solar farms and solar power plants in C-T (cellular communication) Districts in the Town of Schuyler. He stated the Planning Board's legal counsel is present tonight to answer any questions the Planning Board may have regarding this proposed action.

Mr. Fusillo then asked for a motion for the Board to enter into executive session with legal counsel for the purpose of discussing the proposed action. Motion to enter into executive session for the above referenced purpose was made by Victor Costanza and seconded by Dale Dodge; all in favor. Time: 6:04 PM.

Motion by Victor Costanza, seconded by Dale Dodge to return to open session at 6:52 PM; all in favor.

BOARD DISCUSSION / ACTION

Vice Chairman David Fusillo asked whether the Board wished to entertain any further discussion regarding the proposed action. There was none.

Mr. Fusillo then asked for a motion of the Board regarding approval/denial of the proposed action.

Motion by Dale Dodge, seconded by Jean Finster to make a recommendation to the Town Board that they approve the proposed action by adopting Local law No. 2 of 2020 to allow solar farms and solar power plants to be situated in all CT Districts of the Town of Schuyler.

Roll called by the secretary elicited the following responses: Dale Dodge: yes; Daniel Tripoli: No; Jean Finster: yes; Victor Costanza; Yes; David Fusillo: Yes.

Motion to approve referral of the proposed Local Law #2 was therefore was carried by majority voice vote (4 to 1) among all members present.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to come before the Planning Board; therefore, Vice Chairman David Fusillo adjourned the meeting at 7:04 PM.

– Bette I. Szesny, Recording Secretary