

**TOWN OF FORESTPORT
PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

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**September 12, 2017
6:30 P.M.**

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MEMBERS PRESENT

Paul Rejman – Chairman
Gerry Ritter – Co-Chairwoman
Adam Daktor
Mary Rieth
Ginger Swasey
Bonnie LeBuis- Secretary

ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chairman Rejman

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Recited.

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES:

A motion was made by Co-Chairwoman Ritter and seconded by Member Daktor to accept and approve the August 8, 2017 regular meeting minutes as filed.

Roll call vote

Chairman Rejman- yes
Co-Chairwoman Ritter – yes
Member Rieth- yes
Member Daktor - yes
Member Swasey- abstain

SUBDIVISION/PARCEL LINE ADJUSTMENTS:

A. Reid Eberley – Tax #49-000-2-2 (2 lot subdivision), River Road

Mr. Miga was present with a copy of a survey map of the property (35 acres) that had been gifted to Mr. Eberley's children. There is some confusion now whether the remaining 70 - 90 acres are going to be purchased by Mr. Carbone, for the purpose of keeping it "Forever Wild". However, there is the possibility that Mr. Eberley could sell it to NYS, also with the forever wild option, if Mr. Carbone does not purchase it.

Written documentation is still needed stating "forever wild" from one of the parties involved in the waiver request. Another option would be for Mr. Eberley to go forth with the subdivision process. Mr. Miga will be in contact with Mr. Carbone and Mr. Eberley to see how they wish to handle this situation and requested time to get back to us.

A motion was made by Member Swasey and seconded by Co-Chairwoman Ritter to table item to next month's meeting, October 10, 2017, pending further information from all parties.

Roll call vote

Chairman Rejman – yes

Co-Chairwoman Ritter- yes

Member Rieth- yes

Member Daktor - yes

Member Swasey- yes

OLD BUSINESS:

Chairman Rejman notified the board that, starting in 2018, all of the board meetings will return to the Forestport Town Hall. The board secretary discussed the option with the Supervisor, citing the need to have easy access to emails, files etc. for making decisions in a timely manner without unnecessary delay, because the meeting is being held at another location. The Town Supervisor agreed to our request.

A motion was made by Co-Chairwoman Ritter and seconded by Member Daktor to remove item from the agenda.

Roll call vote

Chairman Rejman – yes

Co-Chairwoman Ritter- yes

Member Rieth- yes

Member Daktor - yes

Member Swasey- yes

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion took place regarding the tax search certificate requirement, now being enforced by the county before filing a new subdivision map. There is a fee of \$20. The board decided the best way to handle this step, is to add this requirement to the subdivision procedure and have the owner present the tax search certificate when they present their final maps to the board for approval and stamping. This change will need to be written in the Subdivision Law and a public hearing will need to be held.

Open Discussion:

The wavier option in the Subdivision Law was discussed and it seems to be unclear as to the exact criteria needed to grant a waiver, as it is written. Co-Chairwoman Ritter stated she would check with the Tug Hill Commission, the county Planning Board and possibly surrounding towns as to whether they have this option in their law and if so, what their criteria is for granting a waiver.

The secretary, brought forth the suggestion that the Co-Chairperson be granted the right to stamp and sign approved subdivision maps, in the absence of the Chairman, to avoid any delay in the filing procedure.

The board agreed that all items in New Business and Open Discussion should be presented at one public hearing.

A motion was made by Co-Chairperson Ritter and seconded by Member Swasey to table further discussion to October's regular meeting.

Roll call vote

Chairman Rejman – yes

Co-Chairwoman Ritter- yes

Member Rieth- yes

Member Daktor - yes

Member Swasey- yes

The next regularly scheduled Planning Board meeting is October 10, 2017 at the Woodgate Library at 6:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Member Swasey and seconded by Member Daktor to adjourn the meeting.

*** Roll call vote***

Co-Chairman Rejman- yes

Co-Chairwoman Ritter - yes

Member Rieth- yes

Member Daktor - yes

Member Swasey- yes

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Rejman at 7:24 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie LeBuis
Planning Board Secretary