

TOWN OF FORESTPORT PLANNING BOARD

MEETING MINUTES July 14, 2021

A meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman P. Rejman, attended by members G. Ritter and A. Daktor, T Tyler, and D. Ultsch; in addition to 48 members of the Public.

Minutes of the June 9 Meeting were approved on motion from Terry/Ultsch

Chairman Rejman welcomed those attending, and laid out the meeting structure for public commentary.

Old Business:

- *Scouten Subdivision of Parcel 50.000-1-9, State Rt 28: Approved: Ritter/Daktor*
- *T. Sunderlin, Parcel 8.000-1-8, Requested reactivation of an existing granite mine; carried forward from the June 9 Meeting. Mr. Sunderlin, his wife, Cathy, and his licensed geologist consultant, David Shank, introduced themselves to the Board, and affirmed that he has an Application pending with the DEC and APA. G. Ritter pointed out that his Application regarding Environmental Assessment needs to be amended as the Town does not have Zoning and does not issue special use permits. She also asked for clarification of the period to be covered by the Permit Request. (5 years, with the option to reapply for renewal up to 25 years)*

Chairman Rejman opened the floor to the public, again reiterating that this is Not a Public Hearing, as the Application is still in the hands of the DEC and APA, and has not reached the Town level for review or action. Speakers voiced their opposition to the Project, with concerns once again centered around

- Contamination of water to the spring-fed lake
- Potential problems with area wells
- Noise, and disturbance of the serene quality of the community
- Traffic, highway visibility, dust, and maintenance of the roads
- Valuation of surrounding properties
- Oversight of the operation and adherence to regulations
- The AWLA has hired an independent mining agency to study and report on the project

Chairman Rejman closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting and again reiterated that the Application has not come to the Board from the DEC and APA, therefore there is no action to be taken at this time. Quoting from the Site Review Law, he also reminded the residents that the Town does not have any Zoning laws in place, and no special use permits can be issued.

Acting on research and discussions with Town attorneys and the Association of Towns, a motion was made and passed that no mining Moratorium would be instituted at this time: Ultsch/Ritter

It was noted that the agencies reviewing the application will not adopt any motions until their Sept. 9 meeting, and having no Application in front of the Town, any further discussion on the matter was tabled until the DEC and APA have made their decisions. Ultsch/Terry

- *T. Deppmeyer: Subdivision of Parcels 13.001-2-44/45* Mr. Deppmeyer was requested to further research the information he was providing, and the matter was tabled until the August meeting. Ultsch/Daktor
- *Hunting/Fishing Cabin Definitions* – the discussion was tabled until the August meeting: Ritter/Ultsch

New Business:

- *Robert Pierce (A. Bailey) Boundary line adjustment: 8038 River St, Parcel 50.00-1-22.3:* A Public Meeting was scheduled for August 11: Daktor/Terry
- *Patrick Tyksinski: Erection of secondary structure: Parcel 8.001-1-5* Approved, with the addition of language defining the secondary structure as laid out in the Site Review Law: Daktor/Ritter

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m. on motion from A. Daktor/T. Terry

The next regular scheduled Planning Board meeting is **August 11, 2021** at 6:30 PM at the Forestport Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy L. Pascucci, Secretary