

TOWN OF CONCORD PLANNING BOARD
Town Hall

May 3, 2022
7:00 p.m.

ITEM # 1:

The meeting was called to order by Planning Board Chairman Karl R. Lux, at 6:56 p.m.

ITEM #2: Roll Call

Present:

Karl R. Lux, Chairman
Bruce Luno
James Jozwiak
Joseph Edbauer
Julie Zybert
Raymond Hilliker
Michael Cochran

Also Present:

Darlene Schweikert
Clyde Drake, Town Council Liaison

ITEM #3: Citizen Participation

There was no one for Citizen Participation.

ITEM #4: Comments from Council Liaison Drake

Councilman Drake had no comments at this time. Chairman Lux asked if there was any update on Kevin Thie, the wood guy, on Emerling Road. Councilman Drake had had a conversation with a neighbor who had no concerns. B. Luno can't understand what DEC has to do with this issue; it's a Town of Concord zoning problem. J. Zybert noticed that Mr. Thie expanded his venture and is now using lands to the corner of Emerling Road. M. Cochran asked what the issue is with this parcel since hasn't been on the Planning Board when this was first addressed. B. Luno noted that the property is zoned R-Ag and he is running a C-2 business there. Councilman Drake advised that the Town tried to get the DEC involved but the DEC has no problem with it. The past CEO had been working with the Town Attorney on his matter; J. Edbauer noted that the CEO should just issue an appearance ticket if CEO finds justification and let the Justice Court handle it. Since the Planning Board is an advisory board only, the members would like to have CEO Roberts review the situation and make judgment since the members believe it is an illegal operation/not zoned correctly. Councilman Drake will check into this matter.

Councilman Drake advised that CEO Roberts is working with the Justice Court on a Stop Work Order Violation for the property at 5962 Collins Springville Road. This will be CEO Roberts' first matter going to the Court.

ITEM #5: Approval of Minutes

a) April 5, 2022– J. Jozwiak made the motion, seconded by J. Edbauer to approve the Minutes as presented. All in favor. Carried.

ITEM #6: Business from the Members

a) R. Hilliker had attended the Southtowns Planning & Development meeting last week. His takeaway from the meeting was that grants of \$40,000 could be received by businessowners to be used to improve their storefronts of their businesses. The group will be doing a press release but he thinks that the Town and Village should do everything it can to get the word out to our local businessowners about this opportunity. It does not appear to be matching funds. J. Jozwiak noted that businessowners could use these funds to fix up their storefronts, windows, doors, awnings. J. Zybert added that the applications would be reviewed case by case. The members would like to encourage the Town to get the word out to our community.

b) B. Luno brought up the horses on Route 240 matter. The resident who owned the horses has now moved and there is no current problem but he would like to make sure that this doesn't happen again. Secretary Schweikert put the notes from this matter in a folder to be reviewed when the Town does a Code update.

c) Chairman Lux reminded the members about the upcoming training at Southern Tier West. At this time Chairman Lux and M. Cochran will be attending. Any other members who would like to attend should let Secretary Schweikert know so that she can get the registration forms in by June 1st. R. Hilliker and J. Zybert plan to attend the "Live Well Erie Housing Summit" training on June 8th which would provide Land Use Training.

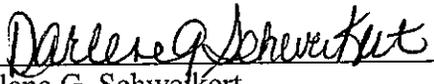
d) Chairman Lux advised the members that Ethan Waterman has been approved by New York State to grow hemp and sell CBD. Beginning February 2022, hemp farmers in the state can now legally grow marijuana for the marketplace. The Town did not opt out of the Marijuana Regulation & Taxation Act (MRTA) nor did the Town set any regulations regarding retail sales and/or on-site cannabis consumption. M. Cochran noted Mr. Waterman has a business sign up. Their business name is Farm 2 Body.

e) Chairman Lux informed the members that after many years the storage trailer on Moore Road has been removed. This had been located in the front yard of the home for several years.

ITEM #7: Motion of Adjourn

J. Zybert made the motion, seconded by J. Edbauer, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:22 p.m. All in favor. Carried.

Chairman Lux advised that the next Planning Board meeting is June 7, 2022.



Darlene G. Schweikert
Planning Board Secretary

