



Town of Denning – Public Hearing

March 10th, 2016

Members Present: Katherine Parr, Chris McInerney, Jim Leverich, Tony Carminati, Travis Coddington and Joseph Sibiga.

Members Absent: Stephen Bobik

Public Present: Councilman Mike Dean, Jerry Huncosky, Katharine Chute, David Brooks, Dan Forger, Leanna Larrison, Michael Larrison, and Pauline Leverich.

-Chairman Sibiga has called the Public Hearing to order at 6:08 PM

Hearing

-Jerry Huncosky of the Frost Valley YMCA gave a short presentation of the proposed solar project. He has a better layout of the plan, now using roughly 3 acres for a solar array. Those 3 acres will now be subdivided, and put back on the tax role. He added that they will be visiting a local manufacturer in Ulster County who makes the panels. No formal decision had been made as to who will be doing the installation.

-Daniel Forger, a neighbor living up the road from the Y, had concerns about visibility of the panels from the road, and also concerns about the generator (that services the entire Y campus, and the rest of Frost Valley Rd) being inactive because of the solar array. Jerry assured him that some sort of buffer will be planted along to road to mask the panels some, and that the generator will remain operable. Daniel also commented that the Y is “doing the right thing” and has been been great neighbors throughout the years.

-Leanna, and father Michael Larrison, also neighbors of the Y, have come to express their full support in the project. Emails were sent to Chairman Sibiga from Jennifer Grimes, and Frank Nicoletti, both residents of the town, expressing full support in the project as well.

-“Resident” David Brooks suggested an abandonment clause be placed on the special permit stating if the array isn’t used for a period of one year, it must be dismantled and the land must be returned to its former state. The Board agreed with this suggestion.

-Motion to end the Public Hearing at 6:34 was made by Chris McInerney and seconded by Katherine Parr.

Regular Meeting

-Chairman Sibiga has called the regular meeting to order at 6:35

New Business

The Blue Hill Lodge's “Manufacturing of Beer” Special Permit is up for renewal. No beer has been manufactured to date, so the same conditions will apply as when the permit was originally issued. Blue Hill Lodge hopes to start brewing sometime this year.



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-Motion to renew the Special Permit (expiration date of April 1, 2017) was made by Chris McInerney, and seconded by Katherine Parr. All were in favor.

-Logging notification has been received. Douglas Dymond, 1298 Dymond Rd Sundown (SBL 58.2-3-1), 45 Acres -200 trees- 20,000 board feet. Logger is John Brooks. End date for logging is in May. \$100 fee paid.

-A solar training seminar will be held on March 22nd from 7-9:15 at SUNY Ulster. Katherine Parr, Tony Carminati, and Joseph Sibiga will attend the seminar.

The February 11, 2016 Minutes were read by Chairman Sibiga. Motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Katherine Parr, and seconded by Tony Carminati

-Motion to close the meeting at 7:12PM was made by Tony Carminati, and seconded by Katherine Parr.

-Next meeting is scheduled for April 14th, 2016 @7 pm, Denning Town Hall

Respectfully submitted by,

Joseph Sibiga, Chairman