

PITTSFORD ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Minutes
July 6, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Stephen Heinzelman, Julie Marcellus, Jim Pippin, Seth O'Bryan, Hali Buckley, Lindsay Clark

OTHERS PRESENT: Stephanie Townsend, Town Board Liaison, Doug DeRue, Director of Planning Zoning & Dev., Jessica Yaeger, Environmental Board Secretary

ABSENT: None

CHAIRMAN: Steve Heinzelman

Chairman Heinzelman opened the virtual Zoom meeting at 6:10 pm.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Board Member Buckley made a motion to approve the minutes of March 2, 2020. Chairman Heinzelman seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved following a unanimous voice vote.

Roctricity Presentation: CCA Update

Sue Higgins-Smith with Roctricity gave Board Members a presentation recapping what the CCA entails, as well as its current standing and the next steps to be taken. As of now, bids requests have been sent out and they are waiting to see if responses meet the required benchmarks. Bid responses are due July 9th, 2020.

TOWN BOARD UPDATE:

Stephanie Townsend, the Town Board Liaison updated the Environmental Board on current Town Board matters.

The first was an update for Kilbourn Place Apartments. There is to be a public hearing on the next Town Board meeting July 7th where the applicant is requesting a change in Zoning. Town Board Member Townsend explained that the Town Board could to pass the Incentive Zoning amendments. They feel that a considerate amount of concessions have been made by the developer to consider residents that will be directly affected by this application. Doug DeRue, Director of Planning and Zoning added that if the Town Board approves the Incentive Zoning change, the next step is for a Site Plan to be submitted as a Planning Board application which will be a topic for the Environmental Board to review.

The next update concerning updating the Town Zoning code. The Town is going through the approval process to engage John Steinmetz of Barton and Loguidice, who recently guided the Village through the same process. A proposal will be presented to the Town Board for approval. The goal of the Zoning code updates would be to align with the Town's newly adopted Comprehensive Plan. Town Board member Townsend added that the process will include public workshops in which Environmental Board members are encouraged to participate in and share their expertise to help the new Zoning code encompass the necessary criteria.

PLANNING BOARD UPDATE: Doug DeRue, Staff Liaison

Doug DeRue, Director of Planning and Zoning, gave the Board an update on the current application for the Planning Board – Bridleridge Farms Section 2. He added that there is a lot of work continuing with the Reeves Road Sewer District.

OTHER DISCUSSIONS:

Chairman Heinzelman welcomed Lindsay Clark as the newest Environmental Board member to the Board. Lindsay has her Masters in Environmental Conservation Education from New York University and worked for many years for an international non-profit. She moved back to Pittsford to raise her family and is excited to get back into the Environmental community again.

MC Land Use Training – (Julie and Jim have been approved); this training has been postponed INDEFINITELY due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Chairman Heinzelman adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully,

Jessica Yaeger
Secretary to the Environmental Board