

**RUSH PLANNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 15, 2009**

A regular meeting of the Rush Planning Board was held on December 15, 2009 at the Rush Town Hall, 5977 East Henrietta Road and was called to order at 7:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Felsen, Chairman
John Morelli
Scott Strock
Don Sweet

Excused: Rick Wurzer

OTHERS PRESENT: Richard Anderson, Town Board Liaison
Gerry Kusse, Code Enforcement Officer
Todd Ewell, Town Engineer
Walter Kalina, Principal Planner for CHA
Charles Salvaggio, Resident

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Minutes of November 17, 2009 were reviewed.

Although there was a quorum for the meeting, only two members were present for the entire November 17, 2009 meeting and a vote could not be cast. The approval of the November 17, 2009 minutes will be deferred to the January 19, 2010 meeting.

Don Sweet was excused for the remainder of the Planning Board meeting.

INFORMAL DISCUSSION:

Mr. Salvaggio appeared before the Planning Board to discuss the progress of application 2009-02P. It was stated that the mylar will need to be corrected to reflect a hedge row on the north side of the proposed road out to West Henrietta Road and the width of the hammer head to be shown as 120 feet. Contractor, Charles Wolcott has submitted to a bid and a time line to Mr. Salvaggio and the Town for the construction of the road. Contactor, Charles Wolcott, Town of Rush Building Code Enforcement Officer, Gerry Kusse and Town Engineer, Todd Ewell will need to meet in order to schedule specific inspection guidelines and to determine a final cost. Once a final cost has been determined a letter of credit can be obtained and submitted to the town. The Professional Engineer (P.E.) will also be required to stamp the final road construction plans.

The current mylar will go to the Monroe County Health Department for signatures and back to Warren R. McGrail's office for corrections.

There was further discussion regarding imperative road construction inspections at certain points during the construction.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

Review of the rezoning request for 6115 and 6123 Rush Lima Road.

The Town Board requests comments on the rezoning of 6115 and 6123 Rush Lima Road.

John Felsen made a motion that the Planning Board has no comment or objection to the rezoning of 6115 and 6123 Rush Lima Road from commercial back to residential zoning.

John Morelli seconded the motion and the Board Members polled:

Roll:

John Felsen	aye	
Scott Strock	aye	
John Morelli	aye	carried.

Clough Harbour & Associates comprehensive plan proposal.

Walter Kalina, Principal Planner for Clough Harbour & Associates has reviewed the list of action items provided to him by the Planning Board. Mr. Kalina stated that the information shows a desire to update the zoning and the importance of the town's agricultural land. Tax abatement and rolling farm purchasing programs were discussed. The town has applied for a farmland preservation planning grant that is still under review. Mr. Kalina stated this grant would help solve some agricultural and zoning issues. Mr. Kalina stated the he would be able to contact the state to inquire about the status of the grant on the town's behalf. Mr. Kalina and the board also discussed updating maps, future land use and open space. Mr. Kalina described a mapping system for future land use with overlays that show wetlands, flood plains, slopes over 20 percent and other geographical features that can guide the board and town when proposals enter an area with restrictions. The Geographic Information System (GIS) now allows all the above information to be turned on and off instantly. The software has the ability to allow the user to view properties parcel by parcel with all the current information from the county.

At this time the land preservation portion of the comprehensive plan is most important in order to make sure that the zoning is appropriate. John Felsen explained that the town was divided into four areas. Area 1 or the ameba area is where the towns people felt most of the development should be and the outlying lands are to be more rural with residential, farmland areas. The board discussed the idea of a Planned Unit Development (PUD) zone. This would have to be considered and intergraded into to the comprehensive plan. There is currently a

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town wide drainage district. The board also discussed the mapping and data resources that may be obtained through Monroe County. Mr. Kalina suggested that Monroe County be contacted to see what is available to the town.

Based on discussions with Mr. Kalina, Clough Harbour will need to provide a new proposal specific to the areas in need of updating.

With no further business, a motion was made by John Felsen and agreed by common consent that the meeting be adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Meribeth Palmer
Deputy Town Clerk