

Minutes
Cayuga County Committee for Review under NYS GML §§239-l, m & n
October 17, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 AM in Caucus Room 1 on the 6th floor of the County Office Building at 160 Genesee Street in Auburn, New York.

The following committee members were present:

Director of Planning and Development:	excused
Director of Environmental Health:	Eileen O'Connor
Environmental Engineer:	Bruce Natale
Superintendent of Highways:	Steve Koon (designee)
Director of Soil and Water Conservation:	John Fraser (designee)

A quorum was thereby established.

Others present: Gabriel Holbrow (staff).

MINUTES:

Minutes from June 20, 2013:

MOTION BY STEVE KOON:

Approve minutes.

SECOND BY BRUCE NATALE:

John Fraser, Steve Koon and Bruce Natale vote AYE. Eileen O'Connor abstained because she was not present at the June meeting.

Motion Approved and Carried.

Minutes from September 19, 2013:

MOTION BY EILEEN O'CONNOR:

Approve minutes.

SECOND BY STEVE KOON:

Steve Koon, Bruce Natale, and Eileen O'Connor vote AYE. John Fraser abstained because he was not present at the September meeting.

Motion Approved and Carried.

The following municipal matters were submitted to the Committee for consideration pursuant to New York State General Municipal Law §§239-l, m, & n:

1. Town of Brutus – Special Permit – Kepple, 8350 Weedsport-Sennett Road

The Committee carefully considered the materials provided by the Town related to the proposed special permit to sell hunting equipment from the applicant's home. The Committee discussed the traffic and sight distances on the Weedsport-Sennett Road. Committee members agreed that the limited sight distances at Weedsport-Sennett Road and Tanner Road make that a dangerous intersection, but that the location of the proposed special permit has adequate sight distances and is not as dangerous. Committee members expressed that the applicant could make the traffic flow on the site safer if he used the second driveway entrance to make a one-way loop driveway.

MOTION BY STEVE KOON:

The action appears to have no intermunicipal concerns and to be of local concern only.

Comment: If the proposed business were to significantly expand in the future, that might lead to an increase in traffic that would be an intermunicipal safety concern.

SECOND BY JOHN FRASER:

All vote AYE.

Motion Approved and Carried.

2. Town of Sennett – Site Plan – Pick-N-Pull, 6983 North Street Road

The Committee carefully considered the materials provided by the Town related to the two proposed buildings and gasoline holding tank at the Pick-N-Pull car recycling facility. The Committee discussed the containment measures to prevent contaminants from draining off the site. Committee members agreed that there is a potential impact on water run-off, but that this proposed project is a welcome improvement and should be encouraged.

MOTION BY BRUCE NATALE:

Approve without change.

SECOND BY JOHN FRASER:

All vote AYE.

Motion Approved and Carried.

3. Town of Montezuma – Minor Subdivision – Green Valley Farms, 1019 McDonald Road

The Committee carefully considered the materials provided by the Town related to the proposed subdivision of the former Dutcher farm house from the adjacent farm fields.

MOTION BY EILEEN O’CONNOR: The action appears to have no intermunicipal concerns and to be of local concern only.

SECOND BY STEVE KOON: All vote AYE.

Motion Approved and Carried.

4. Town of Montezuma – Minor Subdivision – Malenick, Laraway Road, Tax Map Parcel # 99.00-1-33

The Committee carefully considered the materials provided by the Town related to the proposed subdivision of one acre on Laraway Road from the larger parcel.

MOTION BY EILEEN O’CONNOR: The action appears to have no intermunicipal concerns and to be of local concern only.

SECOND BY STEVE KOON: All vote AYE.

Motion Approved and Carried.

5. Town of Ira – Special Use Permit – Martin, 12645 North Road

This referral was received on October 15, well after the deadline of October 8. However, Ira Planning Board clerk Gaylon Medley had made a good faith attempt to send the referral on October 7, but mistyped the email address. The Committee first took up the question of whether to accept the late referral for review at this meeting.

MOTION BY EILEEN O’CONNOR: Accept the late referral for review at this meeting.

SECOND BY JOHN FRASER: All vote AYE.

Motion Approved and Carried.

The Committee carefully considered the materials provided by the Town related to the application for a special use permit for fabrication and machinery repair. The Committee discussed the potential traffic impacts, noting that with the town and county highway barns just around the corner any extra traffic caused by this proposed business would likely not be a significant change. The Committee noted that the applicant had proposed to plug an existing floor drain in the shop building to prevent contamination from reaching an outside drainage ditch. The Committee agreed

that there would be an intermunicipal impact if oil and other vehicle fluids were allowed to drain off the site, although the significance of the impact would depend on what specific activities take place in the shop, how much work is done, and what measures are taken to control the potential pollution.

MOTION BY BRUCE NATALE:

Approve with comments:

Comment #1: The Committee recommends that the floor drain be permanently plugged, such as with concrete.

Comment #2: The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation offers a publication called *Environmental Compliance, Pollution Prevention and Self-Assessment Guide for Vehicle Maintenance Shops* which contains guidelines and tips for preventing pollution from similar facilities. The applicant may find it useful to consult this publication.

SECOND BY EILEEN O'CONNOR: All vote AYE.

Motion Approved and Carried.

**Motion to adjourn by Eileen O'Connor. Seconded by John Fraser. All approving.
Adjourned at 9:47 AM.**

Minutes submitted by Gabriel Holbrow (staff).

Minutes approved by the Committee on January 16, 2014.