

TOWN OF RIDGEWAY
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
TUESDAY DECEMBER 1, 2015
7:00 P.M.

The Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, Medina New York.

Those Members Present:

Larry Meyer (Chairman)
Alice Roth
Ray Wendling
Dan Wilson
Richard Cichocki (absent)

Others Present:

Nelda Toussaint
Jeffrey Toussaint
Robert Farman
Matthew Bruckner

Approval of the Agenda:

Mr. Meyer asked for a motion to approve the agenda Alice Roth Approved the motion, Dan Wilson seconding, and the motion was carried.

Approval of the Minutes of the November 10, 2015 meeting:

Mr. Meyer asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2015 meeting. Mr. Wilson made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2015 meeting, seconded by MR. Wendling and the motion was carried.

New Business:

Mr. Meyer stated that there were two public hearings scheduled for that evening the first at 7:15 for Toussaint farms for the area variance for their sign permit request, Mr. Meyer stated that he would recuse himself from that vote as he rented property to Toussaint farms.

The second public hearing was for Medina United Methodist Church, also an area variance for a sign to be held at 7:30 P.M. Dan Wilson asking Mr. Wolfe if he had any objections to the sign. Wolfe stated absolutely not. Wolfe then stated that if there were no further questions for him that he needed to excuse himself to attend a meeting in Shelby. Wolfe excused himself leaving the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Larry discussed with the members of the Board the two permits and then as there were no further questions or comments prior to, Mr. Meyer called for the opening of the first Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR AREA VARIANCE FOR TOUSSAINT FARM SIGN PERMIT 7:15 P.M.:

Mr. Meyer asked Jeff Toussaint if there was anything that the board needed to know. Mr. Toussaint stated that it was his fault that the sign was placed in the area that needed a variance. Toussaint stated that the original sign for the farm was to be placed much further back, but was then moved to its current location because it could not be seen through the foliage of the large trees out front of the house.

He also stated that he spoke with highway superintendent Mark Goheen and asked if Mr. Goheen thought that the sign would cause any problem for traffic or the town's snow plow and Mr. Goheen stated that it absolutely would not.

Mr. Meyer asked if there was anyone of the neighbors there that wanted to speak and the only people there in regards to the sign were the Toussaint family as they owned all property having anything to do with the neighboring properties.

It was at this time that Mr. Meyer closed the public hearing.

Meyer then asked the Board after having heard the discussing to please make a motion to either approve or disapprove the variance. Dan Wilson made a motion to approve the sign permit as presented. Alice Roth seconded the motion and the sign permit area variance was approved unanimously, with Mr. Meyer abstaining.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR AREA VARIANCE FOR SIGN PERMIT FOR MEDINA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
7:30P.M.:

Mr. Meyer opened the public hearing Meyer then asked if there were any comments from the people in the audience, Mr. Farman who was one of the trustees from the Church and Matthew Bruckner another trustee spoke with the board stating that the sign was placed where the old Apple grove sign used to be. Mr. Meyer stated that the Old owners (the Apple grove) used to have parking out front but as it was deemed a hazard the planted a green space and that was where the sign would be located.

Mr. Wilson of the board asked if the sign would cause an obstruction for oncoming traffic and Mr. Bruckner stated that they had parked a vehicle there to see if it would and they found that it had no bearing on the visibility for traffic. It was at this time that a couple of members of the board stated that they had driven by and the sign would not cause an obstruction in their opinions.

Mr. Meyer asked if there was anything else to add. As there was no further business or questions in regards to the placement of the sign, the public hearing was closed.

Meyer then asked for a motion to vote either in favor of or against the variance. Ray Wendling made the motion to approve as presented, seconded by Alice Roth and the Variance for the sign was approved.

In regards to other New Business Mr. Meyer explained to the Board that the Town Board suggested going back to incident reports for Mr. Wolfe so that complainants would fill out the complaint as well as the members of the Boards and Mr. Wolfe would have a Hard copy to follow through on.

Meyer further explained that the forms were used in the past by Doug Rue who was a past code enforcement officer for the town, at that time each member was given several copies and asked to give the incident reports to Mr. Wolfe while retaining a dated copy for themselves. Members of the board commented on how they thought that the form was a good idea.

Date of the Next meeting:

As there were no further questions or concerns, Mr. Meyer stated that the date for the next meeting would be January 5, 2016

If necessary, wished everyone a Merry Christmas and then asked for a motion to adjourn.

Ray Wendling approved the motion, seconded by Alice Roth and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,
Karen L. Kaiser
Zoning Board Clerk

TOWN OF RIDGEWAY
PLANNING BOARD MINUTES
NOVEMBER 4, 2015 7:00P.M.
410 WEST AVE., MEDINA NY

The Planning Board Meeting was called to order by Tom Fenton at 7:00P.M. at the Town Hall, Medina NY.

Members Present:

Thomas Fenton (Chairman)

Charlie Pettit

Richard Swan

Richard Fisher

Tim Elliott (absent)

Dan Wolfe (absent)

Chairman Fenton called the meeting to order with the leading of the pledge of allegiance.

Others Present:

Sandra Hitt

Jim Hitt

Approval of the Agenda:

A request from Jim and Sandra Hitt of Portage road to be added to the agenda for the purpose of addressing the board in regards to a Special Use Permit for the purpose of obtaining a Kennel License.

Mr. Fenton addressed the special use permit for Eagle Scout Sanders stating that it was only a building permit and asked that it be deleted from the agenda.

Mr. Fisher approved the motion, seconded by Mr. Swan and the item was deleted from the agenda.

Mr. Fenton asked for a motion to approve the agenda with one addition and one deletion.

Charlie Pettit approved the motion that was seconded by Richard Fisher and the motion to approve the agenda was carried.

Approval of the minutes of the October 7th meeting:

Chairman Fenton asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 7th meeting. Mr. Swan made the motion, which was seconded by Richard and the motion was carried.

Communications:

Mr. Fenton addressed the board stating that he had received the minutes from the last Town Board meeting of the Town of Ridgeway if any of the members were interested in taking a look at them.

New Business:

Mr. Fenton address Mr. and Mrs. Hitt asking if they had their Site Plan review application signed by Mr. Wolfe and the Hitts explained that they did not, at which time the secretary Karen Kaiser addressed the Board explaining that the Hitts had already been before the Zoning Board who had explained to them what they needed and told them that they needed to address the planning board, never mentioning that they would need to speak with Mr. Wolfe. Kaiser further explained that the Hitts had brought a map and information regarding the requirements of a kennel and what they were actually looking to do. Kaiser thanked the board stating that she wanted to bring the board up to the current day and why the Hitts were in front of the planning board.

There was a brief discussion between the Hitts and the members of the Planning Board and it was decided that a public Hearing would be required, and it was decided that the hearing would be at the January meeting. Mr. Fenton asked the Hitts if there were any other questions asked them to bring in a completed site plan review application and as there were not the Hitt family thanked the board stating that they would speak with them soon.

Old Business:

Mr. Fenton stated that the only old business was the Planning Boards recommendation to the Town Board that they not pursue Home Business Class B as it was the Planning Boards belief that it would not benefit or work in the Town of Ridgeway.

Date of the next meeting:

The date of the next meeting is scheduled for January 6, 2016.

As there was no further business Mr. Fenton thanked the Board and the Clerk for their service and asked for a motion to adjourn.

Charlie Pettit approved the motion; it was seconded by Richard Fisher, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,
Karen L. Kaiser
Planning Board Clerk