

PITTSFORD ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

APPROVED Minutes

December 6, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT: Stephen Heinzelman, Julie Marcellus, Jim Pippin, Hali Buckley, Lindsay Clark

OTHERS PRESENT: Doug DeRue, Director of Planning, Zoning & Development, April Zurowski, Environmental Board Secretary

ABSENT: Jackie Ebner, Seth O'Bryan

CHAIRMAN: Steve Heinzelman

Chairman Heinzelman opened the meeting at 7:01PM.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Chairman Heinzelman made a motion to approve the minutes of August 2, 2021. Board Member Jim Pippin seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved following a unanimous voice vote.

PLANNING BOARD UPDATE: Doug DeRue, Staff Liaison

Doug DeRue began the Planning Board update by reviewing previously discussed projects and informing the Board of the current stage of construction each is in. He stated that Spall Homes is close to beginning building the sewer under the thruway for the Bridleridge subdivision. Kilbourn Place and Alpine Ridge Section 2 Subdivision are in full swing and both are being constructed rather quickly. Oak Hill Country Club has begun building their three cottages and is proposing a change to their sewer construction plan for the buildings.

Board Member Jim Pippin asked Mr. DeRue for an update on the Monroe Avenue McDonald's project. Mr. DeRue stated that the renovations will not likely begin until Spring 2022.

Mr. DeRue then moved into discussion of new Planning Board applications beginning in early 2022. Verizon Wireless has submitted applications for 10 new cell sites within the Town. 3 will be new utility poles, 6 will be additions to existing utility poles, and 1 will be a larger stealth tree site at Transfiguration Church, 50 W. Bloomfield Rd. Mr. DeRue outlined a map of proposed locations and allowed members to look at each application. The Board consensus was that the Stuyvesant Rd and Tobey Court utility poles may have issues regarding Planning Board approval, and questioned if different locations were possible. Mr. DeRue informed the Board that the 9 utility pole sites will be dependent on the larger site at 50 W. Bloomfield Rd. Mr. DeRue asked the Board if they felt a taller and larger site would be an acceptable replacement for some or all of the proposed smaller utility poles. The Board agreed that a larger site may be appropriate depending on its location. Board Member Hali Buckley asked Mr. DeRue if the machines attached to the utility poles would make noise. Mr. DeRue stated that he did not believe the utility poles would create much sound, if any at all.

Mr. DeRue asked members to create a list of comments that may be submitted to Verizon on behalf of the Environmental Board. The Board discussed issues that may be harmful to the environment, including the possibility of long distances for utility trenching or if any towers will produce harmful emissions.

OTHER DISCUSSIONS:

Chairman Heinzelman asked Mr. DeRue for an update regarding the composting project that was presented to the Town Board. Mr. DeRue stated that he has no knowledge of the timeline regarding this project.

Chairman Heinzelman asked Mr. DeRue for an update regarding the Zoning Code Update meetings that have been occurring with the Town Board. Mr. DeRue stated that this project has been placed on hold as the tow consultants for the project are transitioning to a new company.

Chairman Heinzelman adjourned the meeting at 8:10PM.

Respectfully,

April Zurowski
Secretary to the Environmental Board