

TOWN OF RIDGEWAY  
410 West Ave  
Medina, NY 14103  
PLANNING BOARD MINUTES  
March 1, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tom Fenton (Chairman)  
Thomas Kline absent  
Tim Elliott (Vice Chairman)  
Richard Fisher  
Kathy Blackburn

Others Present

Jason Raduns- Code Enforcement  
Billy Wells  
Chuck Esten

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Fenton opened the meeting with Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 pm

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Chairman Fenton called for a motion to approve the January 4, 2023 Agenda. Motion was made by Kathy Blackburn to accept the meeting agenda; second by Richard Fisher. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Chairman Fenton called for the approval of minutes for the January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting. Motion was made by Kathy Blackburn to accept the minutes as written; second by Richard Fisher. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A copy of the article in the Orleans Hub on Murrays 4 tiers of solar was given to the board members.

OLD BUSINESS:

SUP application for Verizon Wireless "Orleansky" site for construction and operation of a 180' wireless telecommunications facility off Marshall Road tax map 68.-1-44. The clerk stated that the building permit has been issued for this project.

Ridge Road Solar Project. No further update

Borrego Solar- 2668 Swett Road, Medina, NY. No further update. Project has sold to a new company; code enforcement office has all contact information.

2800 Swett Rd Solar- still not up and running, have not asked for final inspection and no certificate of compliance has been issued.

Beals Road solar- update on trees, Jason stated they are most likely waiting until spring to replant.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Jason Raduns- code enforcement officer- discussed the adding fees to support the added inspections for maintaining SUP permits. He has already discussed with the town supervisor and as soon as the town board approves, he will let us know. He has also provided the planning board members an updated copy of the Zoning regulations with copies of local laws pertaining directly to code enforcement.

Billy Wells, current owner, and Chuck Esten, prospective new owner of 12520 & 12516 Ridge Road were present to discuss a violation letter from code enforcement dated 1/30/23. Mr. Wells and Mr. Esten have agreed to clean up the properties, but need more than the 30 days that was allotted. The Planning Board and Jason Raduns, Code Enforcement officer, have agreed that Jason will put together an informal list of what he would like to see done first. He will give Mr. Wells and Mr. Esten 60 days to begin the clean-up. He will check in periodically and monitor the progress closely. If things are going well, he will continue to give updates as to what he wants to see happen in the next 30 days, etc. He will also update the planning and town boards of progress. The new owner would like to clean up the area and has tentative plans for a self-storage building. The planning board thanked both Mr. Wells and Mr. Esten for their willingness to come in and discuss a comparable solution that meets the needs and abilities of all parties.

Chairman Fenton asked if there were any other concerns, comments or issues. Since there were none, Chairman Fenton asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tim Elliott made the motion and was seconded by Kathy Blackburn. All were in favor and the motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 5, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Joelle Brown  
Planning Board Clerk