

Village of Bergen
Planning Board Meeting
January 20, 2016

Planning Board Attendees:

Vickie Almquist, Chairperson
Rene' Vurraro, Deputy Chairperson
Kate Milliman
Heather Piper
Barbara Zinter, Secretary

Other attendees: Mayor Anna Marie Barclay.

Meeting Opened at 7:05 pm

Approval of meeting minutes:

A motion to approve the meeting minutes of the Planning Board meeting held October 21, 2015 was made by Kate Milliman and seconded by Rene' Vurraro. The motion carried by the following vote:

Chairperson Almquist – aye
Rene' Vurraro – aye
Kate Milliman – aye
Heather Piper – aye

Reports

Chairperson Almquist

I will be running for a seat on the Village Board of Trustees in March. If I win, I will need to resign as Chairperson of the Planning Board because this board reports to the Village Board. In addition, the architect for the Bergen Car Wash has asked us to table the plans for the time being.

Privilege of the Floor

Anna Marie Barclay brought to the board that there has been talk that the Mayne Estates project may be in the works again. There is a Site Plan Review workshop offered on March 1st at Monroe Community College. This would be a great one to attend because it walks through a plan for a housing development. We will have the electric department, Ken Kuter, and any others that might need to be considered come and talk with us. The sewer plant can also handle the additional usage.

Vickie said the area they were looking at is zoned R-1 in one section and R-2 and R-3 in another section for multiple families. There appears to be a need for this type of housing and the Bergen market sells quickly.

Kate is concerned about the aging of multiple family lots and the resulting drain she has seen in other communities; Chili for example. They don't maintain very well. Bergen has wonderful, family-oriented communities that are beautiful. She would like to see planning for homes as opposed to townhomes or condos.

Rene' was thinking about the number of large homes that have been transformed into multi-family apartments can be seen as a drain as well.

Kate feels Bergen is in the cat/bird seat. It is underdeveloped and we should keep that in mind when we look at these plans.

Rene' asked when we think the Comprehensive Plan will be completed?

Vickie said they are working toward March.

Kate feels strongly that we don't want "the box."

Anna Marie says we have the power to make this our vision.

Vickie commented that there is not much land in the Village for building.

Kate asked if they were planned to be septic systems as well?

Anna Marie replied yes, that is why we originally upgraded the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Our previous system would not have handled it.

Kate feels that the Munger Street residents may be difficult, noting that she is also one whose property would now back up to the development area.

Anna Marie asked if the board would like to have anyone come in to talk about it?

Rene' felt that if they could get the Electric Department, Waste Water Treatment Plant, and Ken Kuter (CEO/ZEO) in to start, that would be a good step.

Vickie is confident that we have a good board that can handle this project well now.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Kate Milliman and seconded by Rene' Vurraro. The motion carried by the following vote:

Chairperson Almquist – aye

Rene' Vurraro – aye

Kate Milliman – aye

Heather Piper – aye

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Zinter
Village of Bergen Planning Board Secretary

Completed Training Hours for the year June 2015 through May 2016 as of January 2016

Chairman Vickie Almquist - 5 hours carryover + 10 hours = 15

1 hour complete – Basics of Zoning 11/19/14
1 hour complete – Comprehensive Planning 1/21/15
1 hour complete – Subdivision Approval 2/18/15
1 hour complete – Site Plan Approvals and Conditions 3/18/15
1 hour complete – Variances 4/15/15
6 hours complete – Fall Local Government Workshop 11/13/15
4 hours complete – NYCOM Training Tuesdays 11/10, 17, 24/2015 and 12/1/2015

David Burke – 6 hours complete

6 hours complete – Fall Local Government Workshop 11/13/15

Christina Bergeron – 6.5 hours carryover = 6.5

7.5 hours – Fall Local Government Workshop 11/15/13
3 hours complete – Fall Local Government Workshop 11/14/14
1 hour complete – Comprehensive Planning 1/21/15
1 hour complete – Site Plan Approvals and Conditions 3/18/15

Rene' Vurraro – 6 hours carryover + 4 hours = 10

6 hours complete – Fall Local Government Workshop 11/14/14
1 hour complete – Basics of Zoning 11/19/14
1 hour complete – Subdivision Approval 2/18/15
4 hours complete – NYCOM Training Tuesdays 11/10, 17, 24/2015 and 12/1/2015

Heather Piper – 11.5 hours carryover = 11.5

6 hours complete – Fall Local Government Workshop 11/14/14
1 hour complete – Basics of Zoning 11/19/14
1 hour complete – Comprehensive Planning 1/21/15
1 hour complete – Site Plan Approvals and Conditions 3/18/15
6.5 hours complete – Spring Local Government Workshop 5/14/15

Kate Milliman – 6 hours carryover + 6.75 hours = 12.75

6 hours complete – Fall Local Government Workshop 11/14/14
1 hour complete – Basics of Zoning 11/19/14
1 hour complete – Comprehensive Planning 1/21/15
1 hour complete – Site Plan Approvals and Conditions 3/18/15

1 hour complete – Variances 4/15/15

6.75 hours complete – Fall Local Government Workshop 11/13/15

Barbara Zinter - 15 hours carryover + 12 hours = 27

8 hours complete – Fall Local Government Workshop 11/15/13

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1 hour complete – Basics of Zoning 11/19/14

1 hour complete – Comprehensive Planning 1/21/15

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