

TOWN OF SARDINIA
PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 15, 2023

The Planning Board of the Town of Sardinia was scheduled for Wednesday, February 15, 2023, and was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Nancy Spink.

Members Present:

Nancy Spink (Chair)
Keith Reynolds
Aaron Root
Steve Salmon
Dan Szustakowski

Absent:

Attendees

Beverly Gambino, Town of Sardinia Supervisor
Becky Burke, ZBA and Planning Board Secretary

Correspondence: none

Old Business:

1. Nancy informed the board as to the status of the Comprehensive Plan Update. Nancy mentioned there will be a Public Meeting on March 29, 2023 at 6:00 pm, at the Sardinia Town Hall. The members of the Comprehensive Plan Update Committee will attend. The Planning Board members are encouraged to attend. Nancy asked Beverly if a meeting could be set up with the local business owners to try to get their input. Beverly thought it could be possible.
2. Nancy informed the board of the meeting held at 5 pm ahead of the Planning Board meeting with representatives from Waste Management. The meeting consisted of the Nancy, the Town of Sardinia lawyer, David DiMatteo and Town of Sardinia Supervisor, Beverly Gambino. They discussed two items, one related to the present project and another new project. On the subject of the current project, once Waste Management receives the SEQR from the DEC, the Town of Sardinia attorney can then draw up the Seeker Finder Statements and submit it for the Planning Board for their review and recommendation to the Town Board. Once this is done, two meetings open to the public must occur before the Town Board can make a decision. Waste Management anticipates receiving the SEQR from the DEC next month. Nancy believes they will come before the Planning Board early summer.

3. Nancy spoke on the need to add Subdivision Zoning within the Town of Sardinia Comprehensive Plan Update. The Sardinia Town lawyer provided copies of the Town of Lloyd Subdivision which is a general one. Nancy found the Town of Holland subdivision zoning laws on their website. Becky emailed the board members copies of those. The new members were directed to the Town of Sardinia E-code for Zoning which is on the Town of Sardinia website for the current Zoning laws. Nancy will provide specific areas to the board members ahead of a meeting.

Nancy is going to go over to Arcade and Town of Concord to get samples of their subdivision zoning. She suggested we will make lists of what the Town of Sardinia would like to have included in the zoning regulations.

4. Nancy asked Beverly if the Solar Project will continue. Beverly thought it was still in process because they asked to set up an Escrow account with the town but wouldn't move forward this year. Keith Reynolds mentioned they are still trying to acquire more land. They have approached him to sell land, they are going all over. Keith mentioned they had to have a certain amount of land before they could apply to the State.
5. Nancy asked Beverly what the status was of the Frank Bork building in Arcade. Beverly thought it was still in process. Nancy mentioned the building has already been built. Beverly suggested Nancy should check with Gene Degman the Town Building Inspector, to see if he had issued a permit for the building.

New Business:

1. The Planning Board has two new members, Aaron Root, and Steve Salmon, who attended the meeting. They introduced themselves, giving their background.
2. At the earlier 5 pm meeting, Waste Management mentioned they would like to expand, to build a new Barrow pit. One on the South west corner of the property, the other across the street on Hand Road. Those two properties do not meet the current zoning laws. They have to petition the Town Board to change the zoning laws. One of the new members asked what a Barrow pit was. Nancy explained that is where earth is removed to be put on top of the new garbage.
3. Nancy spoke on training requirements for all Planning Board members, consisting of 4 hours per year. She mentioned there would be an upcoming training session with Southern Tier West Regional and Development Board. It is a full day, held at Houghton College, where different sessions can be attended. It would be long enough to cover the full 4 hours. It usually is held annually in June. Registration usually is done through the town to have the costs covered all at once. Members receive payment equal to one meeting for attending. Discussion was held on the flyer and registration details. Beverly found the website, <https://www.southerntierwest.org/>, and sent it to Becky to distribute. Becky sent Beverly the email from last year and would find the new details.

Motion was made by Dan Szustakowski, seconded by Aaron Root to adjourn. Vote was 5 to 0 approving this motion. Meeting was closed by Chairman Nancy Spink at 7:37 PM.

Next scheduled meeting is March 15, 2023 at 7pm.

Submitted by: Becky Burke, Town of Sardinia Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals
Secretary