

TOWN OF JERUSALEM
PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

February 7, 2013

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Jerusalem Planning Board was called together on Thursday, February 7, 2013 at 7:15 pm by Chairman Ron Rubin.

Roll Call:	Ron Rubin	Present
	Dave Owens	Present
	Jack Wheeler	Present
	Ed Pinneo	Excused
	Donna Gridley	Excused
	Jen Gruschow	Excused
	Art Carcone	Absent

Others present included: Pat Killen/Town Board, Mike Steppe/Town Board, Annette Toaspern

Minutes from the January 2013 Planning Board meeting could not be voted upon at this time due to the lack of a quorum (4 members). The minutes will be reviewed and voted upon at the March meeting.

Annette Toaspern, former Planning Board member, spoke about the Historic Roadside Marker Grant Program, being offered by the Pomeroy Foundation. The Town of Jerusalem will be making grant application for a historic marker to be placed at the scenic overview of Rte.54A, north of Branchport. The eligible timeframe for this subject is 1790-1850 and the Town has selected the Beddoe Tract and Plank Roads to be commemorated. Additional signs are to be erected by the Bluff Point Association at this same location, describing the history of Jerusalem in more general terms and it is thought that the two projects will compliment each other in this location.

Because of the lack of old or new business to come before the Planning Board, Chairman Rubin decided to use the time to briefly cover some general topics pertaining to Planning Board activity. An outline was handed out (a copy is attached as a part of these minutes) which included topics such as the application process, required annual training of Board members, site plans, steep slope applications, special use permits, and SEQR. It is hoped that this may satisfy one hour of required training for the year for those who were in attendance.

Mr. Owens questioned if planning board members can meet outside regular meeting days. It was stated that if more than two Board members meet to discuss Town business, a public announcement of the meeting time and place must be published. Regular meeting dates are published in local newspapers and posted at the Town Hall.

Yates County Soil and Water has notified the Town that inspections done by YCSW after their initial review of a project will now involve a fee to the Town. Town attorney is reviewing if this expense can be passed along to the applicant, and if so with what prior notice requirements.

Committee Reports:

- a. Zoning Review Sub Committee (Reviewing Ag-Res. Zone) – Jim Crevelling/Chairman – Review sub-committee discussion. – written report submitted
- b. Agriculture Protection & The Right To Farm (Donna Gridley/Chair) - none
- c. TOJ Conservation of Natural Resources & Renewable Energy (Deb Koop/Chair) - written report submitted
- d. Keuka Lake Watershed (Deb Koop, Chair) - written report submitted
- e. Branchport Hamlet – Jen Gruschow/Chair – none
- f. Signs –A. Carcone/Chair - none
- g. Town Board liaison – Mike Steppe – reported on status of the proposed Fence law and Right to Farm law with Town Board – both are under consideration.

Motion to adjourn made and seconded at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted
Ron Rubin, Chairman