

## **Planning Board Meeting Minutes**

July 24 2018

279 Park Ave. Binghamton, NY 13903

**Planning Board Members in attendance:** Bill McGowan (Chairman) Kathy Kiekel, Ray Mastin, Dave West, Deborah Magee (Secretary) and Kurt Schrader (Town Attorney) Absent from meeting: Chris Streno

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman McGowan and the meeting agenda was reviewed.

**PDD Zoning Update:** Member Ray Mastin spoke regarding the status of the PDD Zoning update and provided a 2 page paper from the May 1<sup>st</sup> 2018 meeting of the Town Board work session in which he discussed the recommendations of the Planning Board. The Town Board was given the suggested changes the Planning Board recommended and was referred to meet with the Broome County Planning Dept. to have the maps corrected and the Town's legal representative regarding 2 parcels (Torto's & Lone Maple Farm) that are zoned as R1 and should be zoned PDD. Mr. Mastin also stated that properties owned by Fahs and Deninis are zoned as R1 but should be zoned as PDD as well as the changes recommended to the Town Board by the Planning Board. He further stated he had a series of questions that needed to be answered before the Town Board could act on the Planning Board's recommendations. Attorney Schrader and Mr. Mastin also informed the Planning Board the notices of Public Hearing were duly posted as required, and that the individual property owners of the affected parcels were given notice as well.

**Planning Board Meeting Minutes:** Chairman McGowan asked if there were any meeting minutes that required approval, and the secretary noted that she had not received notice of any changes, corrections, or updates regarding the last meeting's minutes (April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018). Chairman McGowan made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. West, motion was approved and carried unanimously.

**Additional Items:** None.

**Training Status:** Notice of updated training status of the Planning Board members was provided by Chairman McGowan.

**Legal Corner:** Town Attorney Kurt Schrader presented a very detailed presentation (1hr.15min.) of a local Town Board whose actions and decisions came under fire and became a Municipal Court and eventually a State Supreme Court matter. In basis, Mr. Schrader presented an account of actions by this local town board that calls into question their best practices,

procedures and legal standing of the issues before the board. By presenting this Legal Corner item, Mr. Schrader in effect gives the Town of Binghamton Boards a study of what to do and what NOT to do when considering an action brought before them.

**Training:** Status of the Planning Board members was reviewed by Chairman McGowan.

**Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting:** October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm at the Town Offices on 279 Park Ave. Binghamton, NY.

**Meeting was adjourned at 8:26 pm.**