

Planning Board/Zoning Board Joint Meeting
July 23, 2019 7:00 pm at Town of Binghamton Hall

Present for this joint meeting: Planning Board Chairman Bill McGowan, members Chris Streno, Kathy Kiekel, Dave West and Ray Mastin.

Zoning Board members present: Mark Bordeaux, Tim Cooper, Sara Reifler and Gerry Tagliaferri.

Also present Town Board Liaison, Vicki Xlander, Mike Bensley, Town Board member and 3 members of the public.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Planning Board Chairman.

Members of both boards were given a copy of the agenda, a 2 page handout "Solar Application Review" provided by Attorneys Alan & Rose Pope, an emailed status report on the Vestal Hills Project from Scott Mastin and an emailed status report on the WBNG Transmitter Project by Michael Haas from Delta Engineering.

LEGAL CORNER was jointly presented by Town Attorneys Alan & Rose Pope discussing some of the information and details of the Solar Application Review, including permits, licensing, oversight, concerns and questions regarding commercial or large scale solar collection. Points covered included Special Use Permits/Site Plan Application review, zoning requirements, implementation and decommissioning and ownership changes. Further updates will be provided as the committee for the development of the solar application review meets.

The **VESTAL HILLS PROJECT** update: an email status update of the project from Scott Mastin was provided and the following information shared with Planning Board; "We are in the process of removing the carpets from the facility to limit and prevent mold growth. We have removed the fuel oil tanks from the basement mechanical room to allow temporary shoring of the exterior wall that is failing in the basement."

The **WBNG TRANSMITTER PROJECT** update: an email status update of the project from Michael Hass & Delta Engineering and the following information shared with the Planning Board; "WBNG has not received the necessary funding they had expected from the FCC and therefore the project is being scrapped as designed....WBNG will be modifying their existing transmitter building interior to accommodate the new equipment." Further information can be obtained through Chris Ball, Chief Engineer.

TRAINING STATUS of Planning Board members: a handout was provided by Chairman McGowan showing the current status of training, prior to this meeting's legal corner.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chairman McGowan suggested the Planning Board do as the Town Board does in regards to the minutes. The Planning Board will now acknowledge the minutes to the previous meeting have been transcribed and posted on the Town's Website. If there is an omission or error in the minutes, it will be addressed, corrected and resolved at the next meeting. The Planning Board agreed and acknowledged the minutes from the April 30th 2019 meeting stand as posted.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS: None

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING: October 22, 2019 at the Town Hall, 7:00 pm.

MEETING ADJOURNED @ 7:49 pm

Minutes were recorded, transcribed and posted by Planning Board Secretary, Deborah Magee