

Town of Summerhill

Planning Board Meeting

October 4, 2011

Present: Bob Amerman- Chairman, Barb Harvey- Vice Chairman, Tom Ripley

Secretary: Amber Parker

Others Present: Amie Prince

Absent: Ken Morehouse – Unexcused

Meeting called to order at 7:12 p.m.

The members read through the minutes from the previous meeting which was on September 21, 2011. Barb makes a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting, with a 2nd from Ted. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved 3-0.

Communications:

Amie Prince intends to send the Planning Board some information regarding the positives and negatives of drilling.

Review of the communications that were received from Shannon Caldwell, regarding the lawsuit against Dryden for the law that was enacted to prevent drilling. It explains that if the town of Summerhill adopts the plan that the Town will not be the first to be sued. Middlefield already has a law in place to prevent this law. It explains a secure way for the town of Summerhill to prevent such drilling from occurring.

The Planning Board members read the article that was place in the Shopper by Mary Osgood regarding the Property Maintenance law as well as the Junkyard Law that has been place on the ballot for the upcoming election.

The members discuss the drafted law for drilling, in which the town will have a public hearing on October 11, 2011 at 6 p.m.

Old Business:

The discussion continues regarding the continuous research on possibly getting a generator for the town hall in case of an emergency. Bob wants to look into Caterpillar, because he recently saw a small generator that was from Caterpillar. He explains that we should have a representative come talk with the Planning Board in order to find out more about what type and size of generator would be necessary to turn the town hall into a command center.

New Business:

Barb continues to explain more about the training packet that she was assigned regarding "Local Open Space Planning Guide." She briefly highlights some of the most important details from the packet.

Ted begins to discuss with the members, the content of his packet "Municipal Regulation of Manufactured Homes."

Similarly, Tom reviews with the members what he learned while reading his packet, "Local Laws and Agricultural District: How Do They Relate?"

Adjournment:

The next meeting will occur on November 1, at 7 p.m.

A training session will be held in Auburn at BOCES, November 16th.

Ted makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Tom. The motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. was approved 4-0.

Respectively Submitted,

Secretary, Amber Parker

