

LIVINGSTON COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
Meeting Minutes –
July 14, 2022

In attendance: DAWN ANDERSEN, Town of Livonia; TIM BRINDUSE, Village of Dansville; JOAN CRUNDEN, Town of Caledonia; KEVIN FAHEY, Village of Mt Morris; CATHIE GEHRIG, Town of Mt Morris, BARRY INGALSBE, Village of Lima; DON KANE, Town of Leicester; APRILE MACK, Village of Geneseo; CLARA MULLIGAN, Town of Avon; DENNIS NEENAN, Town of Lima; ALEX PIERCE, Town of Nunda; JARED RADESI, Town of Geneseo; KAREN ROFFE, Village of Leicester; JOHN YUNKER, Alternate #1

Staff: MARY UNDERHILL, Planner

Members Excused: MARY ELLYN MERLE CALABRESE, Town of Sparta; SARAH SANTORA, Village of Caledonia; JILL KALMAR, Town of West Sparta

Members Absent: ROBERT HAYES, Village of Avon

Guests: Irene Bodnaruk

Chairman Pierce brought the July 14,2022, meeting of the Livingston County Planning Board to order at 7:03 p.m.

Chairman Pierce led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Pierce provided an overview of New York State General Municipal Law, Section 239-l, m, & n and reviewed the rules for member participation and voting.

- Abstentions:
 - Ms. Crunden will be abstaining from Zoning Referral #2022-053 by Caledonia CSG, LLC due to being on the Town of Caledonia Joint Planning Board
 - Ms. Roffe will be abstaining from Zoning Referral # 2022-055 by Town of Leicester due to being on the Town of Leicester Town Board

Approval of Minutes from the April 14, 2022, County Planning Board Meeting

Chairman Pierce asked if there were any comments regarding the Minutes from the April 14, 2022, County Planning Board meeting.

A motion to approve the meeting minutes from April 14, 2022 was made by Ms. Crunden and seconded by Mr. Kane. The motion carried. 14-0-0

Approval of Minutes from the May 12, 2022, County Planning Board Meetings

Chairman Pierce asked if there were any comments regarding the Minutes from May 12, 2022, County Planning Board meeting.

A motion to approve the meeting minutes from May 12, 2022 was made by Mr. Fahey and seconded by Mr. Radesi. The motion carried. 14-0-0

Approval of Minutes from the June 9, 2022, County Planning Board Meeting

Chairman Pierce asked if there were any comments regarding the Minutes from June 9, 2022, County Planning Board meeting.

A motion to approve the meeting minutes from June 9, 2022 was made by Ms. Mulligan and seconded by Mr. Fahey. The motion carried 14-0-0

Zoning Referral #2022-053, Town of Caledonia, Site Plan Review and Subdivision Review for a 5.3 mW solar facility at 2773 Caledonia Leroy Rd (Applicant: Caledonia CSG, LLC)

Ms. Underhill presented the staff report. Items discussed included:

- Working with the current local law during the review process, evaluate the setback reductions
- Confirm that all adjacent property owners have been personally notified. Was the notification specific on the setback reductions?
- Each parcel should be looked at for individual protections given site specific conditions
- Emergency Response Plan should be reviewed- Access Road should comply with NYS Fire Code. Minimum 20-Foot width gate

A motion to recommend Approval of Zoning Referral #2022-053 with staff advisory comments and County Planning Board comments, was made by Mr. Brinduse and seconded by Mr. Fahey. 13 members approved, and Ms. Crunden abstained (13-0-1). The motion failed to carry.

Zoning Referral #2022-054 Village of Caledonia, Site Plan Review, Special Use Permit, and Subdivision Review for a 5.3 mW solar facility at 2773 Caledonia Leroy Rd (Applicant: Caledonia CSG, LLC)

Ms. Underhill presented the staff report. Items discussed included:

- Working with local law during the review process, evaluate the setback reductions
- Confirm all adjacent property owners have been personally notified. Was the notification specific on the setback reductions?
- Each parcel should be looked at for individual protections given site specific conditions
- Emergency Response Plan should be reviewed- Access Road should comply with NYS Fire Code. Minimum 20-Foot width gate

A motion to recommend Approval of Zoning Referral #2022-054 with staff advisory comments and County Planning Board comments, was made by Mr. Brinduse and seconded by Mr. Fahey. The motion carried. 14-0-0

Zoning Referral #2022-055, Town of Leicester, Review of “Town of Leicester Comprehensive Plan” (Applicant: Town of Leicester)

Ms. Underhill presented the staff report. Items discussed included:

- Suggestion to make sure maps have labels, improve readability/layout

- Adding more recent land uses such as cell towers and adult uses
- Suggestion to make mention of the salt mine collapse from the 1990's
- Board complimented the Town on the development of their first comprehensive plan

A motion to recommend Approval of Zoning Referral #2022-055 with staff advisory comments and County Planning Board comments, was made by Ms. Gehrig and seconded by Mr. Ingalsbe. 13 members approved, and Ms. Roffe abstained (13-0-1). The motion failed to carry.

Zoning Referral #2022-056, Town of North Dansville, Review of the Town of North Dansville Moratorium on Solar Facilities (Applicant: Town of North Dansville)

Ms. Underhill presented the staff report. Items discussed included:

- Suggested that the Town has the final specification sheets, MSDS, and chemical composition of panels before obtaining the building permit
- Consider including a landscape buffering screen and density

A motion to recommend Approval of Zoning Referral #2022-065 with staff advisory comments and County Planning Board comments, was made by Ms. Gehrig and seconded by Mr. Radesi. Motion Carried. 14-0-0

Local Announcements

- Positive feedback on the Liv Co Mural projects and dedication ceremonies

Other Business / Communication

- County Planning Department is applying for a grant for replacement of mobile homes. Currently accepting property applications, contact Joe Gunther.
- The next County Planning Board meeting will be held on August 11, 2022.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Fahey and seconded by Ms. Crunden. The motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, C. Joan Crunden, Secretary

Recorded by Stephanie Johnson