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DON BLEASDALE
CHAIRMAN



MEETING MINUTES

June 10, 2019

Chairman Don Bleasdale called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

The following members were present: Don Bleasdale, Jane Harsha, Stacie Vourakis, and Rick Warren.

Frank Maricic was absent.

Resident Chris Zaberto was also present.

Minutes – A motion was made by Mr. Bleasdale and seconded by Mrs. Harsha to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2019 meeting as submitted. All were in favor.

SUBMISSIONS

Crown Castle AT&T – The Committee reviewed and discussed documentation submitted for Crown Castle AT&T. There were no comments. A memo will be sent to Planning and Engineering.

Heritage Hills West Hill Drive Wetland Application – A review and discussion ensued regarding the information received for Heritage Hills West Hill Drive Wetland Application. The Committee would like to see the Short Environmental Assessment Form for this project. A memo will be sent to Planning and Engineering.

Wilkinson/Jones Wetland and Flood Damage Protection Application – The Committee reviewed and discussed documentation submitted for Wilkinson/Jones Wetland and Flood Damage Protection Application. There were no comments. A memo will be sent to Planning and Engineering.

OLD BUSINESS

NYSEG Task Force Update – Mr. Zaberto is unable to attend the next NYSEG Task Force meeting which will be held on June 12th.

On May 23rd, Mr. Zaberto represented the Town at a NYSEG Tabletop Exercise which included a simulation of a storm that hits Somers and knocks the power out. He was very impressed with the outcome. The only suggestion would be to open up the channels for individual towns to have a physical presence or the ability to video conference in the event of a storm.

Heritage Hills Men's Club Presentation Update – Arrangements for a Town meeting with the Heritage Hills Men's Club has been put on hold.

Heritage Hills Health and Safety Committee Presentation Update – Both Mr. Bleasdale and Mr. Zaberto met with Ms. Brodley to make arrangements to speak to the Heritage Hills Health and Safety Committee on July 31st at 7:00 p.m. in the Heritage Hills Activity Center. Items to be presented include: overview of the Energy Environment Committee; NYSEG bill review; complete streets; history of environmental impacts; solar; native planting; and permeable paving. The Committee looks forward to this networking opportunity.

Networking with Neighboring Towns Update – Mr. Bleasdale has reached out to contacts in Bedford, Lewisboro, New Castle and Yorktown for committees they have that parallel ours in an effort to network. All members have been encouraged to get on those communities' websites to get a better understanding as to what they have been doing.

Review of Projects Memo Update – A memo was sent to the Planning and Engineering Department requesting they resume sending project plans to the Energy Environment Committee for their review and comment. Three submissions were reviewed this evening.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business this evening.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Monday, July 8th at 7:00 p.m. at the Recreation Center in Van Tassell Park.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Schirmer, Secretary
Somers Energy Environment Committee

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