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DON BLEASDALE
CHAIRMAN



MEETING MINUTES

August 12, 2019

Chairman Don Bleasdale called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

The following members were present: Don Bleasdale, Frank Maricic, and Rick Warren.

Jane Harsha and Stacie Vourakis were absent.

Minutes – A motion was made by Mr. Bleasdale and seconded by Mr. Maricic to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2019 meeting as submitted. All were in favor.

SUBMISSIONS

Cobbling Rock Estates Subdivision – A preliminary 9 lot subdivision for the Cobbling Rock Estates was reviewed and discussed. The Committee will discuss it further at the September meeting.

Wilkinson/Jones Wetland and Flood Damage Protection Application – The Committee reviewed and discussed updated 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 was not present this evening so an update of the NYSEG Task Force was not given.

Heritage Hills Health and Safety Committee Presentation Update – On July 31st at 7:00 pm in the Heritage Hills Activity Center, Mr. Bleasdale and Mr. Zaberto spoke to the Heritage Hills Health and Safety Committee. That request was made by former

Committee member Flo Brodley. About 25 were in attendance, and items presented include: an overview of the Energy Environment Committee; NYSEG bill review; complete streets; history of environmental impacts; solar; native planting; and permeable paving.

Heritage Hills West Hill Drive Wetland Application – Last month a review and discussion ensued regarding the information received for Heritage Hills West Hill Drive Wetland Application. The Committee wanted to review the Short Environmental Assessment Form for this project which was done. There were no objections. A memo will be sent to Planning and Engineering.

NEW BUSINESS

Plum Brook Bridge – At the July 11, 2019 Town Board meeting a discussion took place about the Plum Brook Bridge. Mr. Warren was in attendance and shared the outcome as well as his thoughts this evening. All agreed that the bridge should be fixed and opened for limited access including pedestrian, biking, emergency vehicle access and for church services at St. Joseph's Church. A memo will be sent to the Town Supervisor.

294 Route 100 – The New Private School in Somers – Mr. Bleasdale attended a presentation for The New Private School in Somers on August 8th at the Town Board meeting. The proposed project was offered in 3D and was very impressive. It seems like a good fit for Somers. The Committee looks forward to continued updates.

L158 Muscoot Rail Bridge – Councilman Clinchy and Mr. Warren were in receipt of an email from Dan Welsh regarding the L158 Muscoot Rail Bridge, half of which is in Somers. Recently some of the Lewisboro folks opened a short bit of the rail trail on their side and would like to ultimately connect it with Somers. Barton and Loguidice is offering to put together a grant application to assess the refurbishing costs. Mr. Welsh is hoping that Somers would be willing to share the fee of \$2,000 to \$4,000 to do so.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Monday, September 9th 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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