TOWN OF WATSON - Planning Board - August 8, 2024

PRESENT: Nettie Prusinowski, Dan Root, Nicole Black, Judi Houppert, Jan Cook Guests: Will Hunt, Mary Misek

The meeting was opened at 6:30 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Agenda was reviewed. Motion made by Dan to approve the agenda and Judi seconded the motion.

Applicants - The applicant subdivision for Allen Bender was not brought back to us in a timely manner. The request for the subdivision was not in compliance. So, in this light, do we want to approve it or discuss it further? It was asked to be postponed until the September meeting. However, we did decide to review the subdivision at tonight's meeting. All in favor. Yays- all present.

The minutes of the July 26 meeting were read and approved by motion made by Dan, seconded by Nettie. Dan - yay, Judi-yay, Nicole-nay, Jan-nay

Nicole is to draft a letter regarding the Bender subdivision and the public hearing. It was indicated by Nettie that the public hearing did need to take place. Also, plot requirements need to be added as well. Lot access is another concern. A driveway is not allowed within 100 ft. of wetlands, and preservation of natural features is necessary.

It was decided to request an EIS (Environmental Impact Statement) plus a Public Hearing. Meeting date is set for Wednesday, Sept. 4th. Notice of Public Hearing to be sent to Michelle Ward to be put into the newspaper.

Information was printed from Nettie's email in regards to correspondence between Howard Lyndacker had with Steve Heerkins to go into the Bender file.

Renewal of positions - Jan's position is up for renewal. All in favor of her renewal. Yays - Dan, Nicole, Judi, Nettie.

Suggested fees for Town Board - Nettie has done research on several things. Our laws indicate that we can charge accordingly for public hearing notices as this is becoming an extensive increased cost to the town. Judi stated it is within our rights to charge for those as we have it stated on the fee schedule. All were in favor.

We will compare our fees to those of bordering counties. To update the rest of the fee schedule.

Assorted paperwork was discussed and several items will be discussed in September. With no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. by motion made by Judi, seconded by Nicole. All in favor - Yays - Dan, Nicole, Nettie, Jan. Nays - 0