TOWN OF SWEDEN
Planning Board Minutes
September 28, 2020

A regular meeting of the Town of Sweden Planning Board was held on Monday, September 28, 2020, at the Sweden Courtroom, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York, commencing at 7 p.m.

Members present: David Hale; Craig McAllister; Wayne Rickman, Peter Sharpe; David Strabel.

Absent: Richard Dollard; Matthew Minor

Also, present: Joe Hens, Ingalls & Associates; Matt Tuttle, Schultz Associates.

Chairman McAllister called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and asked everyone present to say the Pledge of Allegiance.

Correspondence was passed to members for review.

Moved by Mr. Hale, seconded by Mr. Sharpe, that the minutes of September 14, 2020, be approved.

Mr. Dollard – Absent
Mr. Hale - Aye
Mr. Minor – Absent
Mr. Rickman – Aye
Mr. Sharpe - Aye
Mr. Strabel – Aye
Chairman McAllister – Aye

Moved by Mr. Strabel, seconded by Mr. Hale, that the regular meeting be adjourned to the public hearing.

Mr. Dollard – Absent
Mr. Hale - Aye
Mr. Minor – Absent
Mr. Rickman – Aye
Mr. Sharpe - Aye
Mr. Strabel – Aye
Chairman McAllister – Aye

The Public Hearing began at 7:05 p.m.

Chairman McAllister read the notice of public hearing and affidavit of publication.

Mohr Subdivision and Site Plan, Fourth Section Road. 083.01-4-1.11
Mr. Matt Tuttle addressed the Board. Since the last meeting for this project, comments from the Town Engineer, County Planning, ECB, Fire Marshal and Building Inspector were received.

Chairman McAllister asked if there was anyone present with questions, comments, or concerns. There were none.
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Moved by Mr. Strabel, seconded by Mr. Mr. Rickman, to adjourn the public hearing to the regular meeting.

Mr. Dollard – Absent  
Mr. Hale - Aye  
Mr. Minor – Absent  
Mr. Rickman – Aye  
Mr. Sharpe - Aye  
Mr. Strabel – Aye  
Chairman McAllister – Aye

The Public Hearing ended at 7:10 p.m.

Chairman McAllister continued review of this project.

MRB Comments  
A response letter, dated September 24, 2020, was mailed to MRB. There are still a couple items that need to be cleaned up pertaining to the Town sewer connection.

DRC Comments  
Standard boilerplate comments were received and will be addressed.

ECB Comments – No Concerns

Building Inspector Comments – No Concerns

Fire Marshal Comments
1. Address post shown on plans.
2. Driveway 250 ft. or longer will be 14 ft. wide with a bump out, 20 ft. by 50 ft. shown on plans.

Plans have been submitted to MCWA with no response to date.

Chairman McAllister asked Mr. Oberst for an update on the revised plans. Mr. Oberst stated due to low water pressure at the property, a review letter from MCWA is required, a SWPPP should be submitted, and a review letter from NYSDOT is required due to boring under Fourth Section Road. A curb cut is needed.

Mr. Tuttle explained there is an existing DOT permit for an agricultural use. There is an existing driveway and culvert. Mr. Oberst recommended checking with DOT to see if they will allow it to be converted to a R.O.W. permit; sometimes there is another level of review. Mr. Tuttle agreed.

Mr. Tuttle will contact the Clerk when information is received to be placed on the agenda.
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Helios Energy New York Sweden Solar Farm Subdivision, Site Plan and Special Use Permit, Swamp Road and Lake Road. 098.04-1-2.1

Moved by Mr. Strabel, seconded by Mr. Rickman, that the Helios Energy New York Sweden Solar Farm Subdivision, Site Plan and Special Use Permit application be restored to the Planning Board’s agenda and that the September 14, 2020, motion terminating the application be rescinded in its entirety.

Mr. Dollard – Absent
Mr. Hale - Aye
Mr. Minor – Absent
Mr. Rickman – Aye
Mr. Sharpe - Aye
Mr. Strabel – Aye
Chairman McAllister – Aye

Mr. Hens explained he is present tonight so that the Board can be assured that the Helios Solar Farm will be finalized with the signing of the mylars. Chairman McAllister indicated the Board was concerned when there was no response to the 60-day expiration motion made on July 13, 2020. Mr. Hens explained it was hard to keep the project on track as some modifications had been proposed, which were further delayed due to Covid-19. He appreciates the project being put back on the agenda and having the plans signed and solar farm built.

Chairman McAllister confirmed that he will sign the plans, but not Special Use Permit as the approved bond has not been posted with the Town yet, which is a requirement of the Special Use Permit. Mr. Hens agreed and will follow up with the status of the bond.

Counsel Lester asked when the plat will be filed with the County because the Chairman’s signature automatically expires 60 days from the date it is signed. Mr. Hens agreed.

OTHER
Project Expirations – to be discussed at a future meeting.

Chairman McAllister commented that in the future, motions should be kept simple, the date and time a motion is made and approved, is the legal date and time for that action. It is not delayed until the minutes are approved.

The meeting was adjourned on motion at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Phyllis Brudz – Planning Board Clerk