

**TOWN OF SWEDEN  
Planning Board Minutes  
December 13, 2021**

A regular meeting of the Town of Sweden Planning Board was held on Monday, December 13, 2021, at the Sweden Town Courtroom, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York, commencing at 7 p.m.

Members present: Richard Dollard, David Hale, Matthew Minor, Craig McAllister, Wayne Rickman, Peter Sharpe, David Strabel.

Absent: Nat O. Lester, III, Planning Board Counsel – Excused; James Oberst, P.E., Town Engineer – Excused.

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. Minor, that the minutes of November 22, 2021, be approved.

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

**Wegmans Food Market. 6660 Fourth Section Road.**

Chairman McAllister discussed the fence on the south side of the Wegmans property approved in the 1990s. Wegmans would like to remove the noncontiguous fence which needs repair. It is only on the one side between the power poles. Behind the fence is complete vegetation. Mr. Strabel added the fence was originally installed for privacy.

Chairman McAllister recommends that the fence be removed, and an expedited amended site plan application be completed and submitted for approval. The Board agreed.

Mr. Minor confirmed with Mr. Strabel that the fence does not provide any safety purpose. Mr. Strabel added there are gaps in the fence.

**Helios Solar Farm. (Next Era) 5541 and 5535 Lake Road.**

Mr. Strabel explained that he received electronic drawings to review to issue a permit. Four of the drawings were electrical and one was the site plan, which was a copy of the signed plan by the Planning Board. The site plan submitted changed from the original approval, i.e., the fence height is 7 ft. instead of 8 ft., the emergency access from north to south not shown or installed as requested by the Fire Marshal, and the panels moved closer because of the different panel configuration received. He added the maximum height for the panels is twelve feet as stated in the meeting minutes. The fence fronting Lake Road is the only part of the fence required to have slats.

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Chairman McAllister mentioned that the five bump outs proposed along the access road on the approved site plan did not make it on the permit drawings. Mr. Strabel will make sure the bump outs are installed per code.

In terms of the access road running north and south, there is no hammerhead turnaround at the end. The Fire Marshal is okay with no hammerhead turnaround at the end of the road as long as a brush truck or ambulance can drive north to south.

Mr. Minor asked if the overall size of the solar farm grew with the different panel configuration. Mr. Strabel explained the panels still fit in the same fenced footprint.

The Board agreed that if the solar farm is installed per the approved site plan, there is no need to return to the Planning Board for an amended site plan approval.

Mr. Hale presented the Clerk on behalf of the Planning Board a token of their appreciation for her good work! The Clerk thanked the Board for their generosity.

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Phyllis Brudz - Planning Board Clerk