

TOWN OF AMITY
PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 2007 MEETING

Chairman Lois Reynolds called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Also present were Robert Ellis, Frank Pasquale, and Louise Windus. Absent were Judy Hurd and Don Zajicek. A motion was made by Robert Ellis, seconded by Frank Pasquale and carried to accept the minutes of the December 6, 2006 meeting as read.

OLD BUSINESS:

Meeting with Maureen Harding – A tentative date of January 20, 2007 has been set to meet with Ms. Harding. We need to gather all information that we have worked on to date. We will ask Ms. Harding's advice on whether to proceed with a consultant. Lois Reynolds will also invite Kier Dirlam, Village of Wellsville Planner, to our meeting with Ms. Harding for his input.

Soil & Water Conservation District – Frank Pasquale has been in contact with the District regarding our contract for an information packet to use in developing our Comprehensive Plan. To date, the District has not put together anything. Mr. Pasquale spoke with Joseph Zajicek, Supervisor, regarding canceling the contract. Mr. Pasquale will advise Mr. Zajicek to send them a letter. Mr. Pasquale will contact Kier Dirlam to see if we can use information that he has compiled while working on the Town of Angelica's Comprehensive Plan.

Training – The Amity Town Board has passed Resolution Number 2006-9 on December 18, 2006 requiring the Amity Planning Board to attend training in the amount of 4 hours per year. Robert Ellis and Kier Dirlam have been working on securing online training at the Belmont BOCES Center. Also coming up on May 9, 2007 is the Annual Town Officials Conference at Houghton College, which may count towards training requirements.

NEW BUSINESS:

Consultant – Robert Ellis has been in contact with Mr. Tom Taylor of the Village of Cuba recently. The Village of Cuba has recently completed a project with Stuart I. Brown Associates called the "Strategic Plan for Downtown Revitalization". The total cost of research and development of the plan was \$8000. Mr. Ellis passed around a copy of the completed project booklet.

Development at Belvidere – Per John Foels, Director Allegany County Development/IDA, the water and sewer line project is proceeding as planned. Phase I is scheduled to begin. During this stage, borings of the soil will be made every 49 feet looking for artifacts, etc.

Dinner – The Allegany County Planning Board will be hosting their Annual Dinner on Wednesday, January 17, 2007 at Moonwinks, Cuba. Hospitality (cash bar) will start at 6:00 PM, buffet dinner at 6:30 PM. Guest speaker is Craig Braack, County Historian. Cost for non-board members will be \$15 per person. Reservations no later than January 8, 2007.

Resignation – Louise Windus will be resigning effective January 17, 2007. This is the date of her reappointment, and she does not wish to be reappointed.

NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT

Our next meeting is set for February 7, 2007 at 7:00 PM in the Horn Room, Amity Town Hall. A motion was made by Robert Ellis, seconded by Frank Pasquale and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Windus
Louise Windus, Secretary