

LIVINGSTON COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
Meeting Minutes – February 13, 2020

In attendance STEWART LEFFLER, Village of Geneseo, Chairman; CATHIE GEHRIG, Town of Mt. Morris;; DON KANE, Town of Leicester; APRILE MACK, Alternate #1; ANITA MARTUCIO, Town of Conesus; JARED RADESI, Town of Geneseo; KAREN ROFFE, Village of Leicester; JACK SPARLING, Town of Livonia; JOHN VAN HEUSEN, Town of Ossian; DENNIS NEENAN, Town of Lima;; DAVID LUCE, Town of North Dansville; CLARA MULLIGAN, Town of Avon; JILL KALMAR, Town of West Sparta; KEVIN FAHEY, Village of Mt. Morris

Staff: HEATHER FERRERO, Deputy Planning Director; SHAWN ROONEY, Planning Assistant; JOCELYN BISHOP, Senior Typist

Members Excused: C. JOAN CRUNDEN, Town of Caledonia; WILLIAM GRAHAM, Town of Groveland; ALEX PIERCE, Town of Nunda; SARAH SANTORA, Village of Caledonia

Members Absent: KYLE MOTT, Town of Springwater; TIM BRINDUSE, Village of Dansville; KATE WILCOX, Town of York; JOANNE PALMER, Village of Livonia; ROBERT HAYES, Village of Avon; BARRY INGALSBE, Village of Lima

Chairman Leffler brought the February 13, 2020 meeting of the Livingston County Planning Board to order at 7:04 p.m.

Mr. Radesi led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Leffler provided an overview of New York State General Municipal Law, section 239-1, m, & n and reviewed the rules for member participation and voting.

Chairman Leffler introduced and welcomed guests.

Approval of Minutes from the January 9, 2020, County Planning Board Meeting

Chairman Leffler asked for a motion regarding the Minutes from the January 9, 2020, County Planning Board meeting.

A motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 9, 2020, was made by Ms. Gehrig and seconded by Mr. Sparling. The motion carried unanimously.

Zoning Referral #2020-008, Village of Mount Morris, Zoning Map Amendment in the Village of Mount Morris (Applicant: Village of Mount Morris)

Mr. Rooney presented the staff report. Items discussed include:

- Wondering if there are unique characteristics to the three parcels that were not changed.

- Two of the parcels were split between an R1 (single-family designation) and an R3 (multi-family designation). It is believed that because of the existing land use, the parcels would stay an R1.
- The Village Mayor and the property owner decided to keep the church property multi-zoned.
- How this is going to affect their assessments? This concerns the County and the Village of Mount Morris.
 - There were not a lot of vacant properties that were involved. The assessment goes to the existing land use and not zoning. Zoning does inform vacant land. Whether it's vacant residential, vacant agriculture or vacant commercial.
 - The Village was very concerned about people's properties changing designation, and the property owners have input towards it. There were about six meetings for each different neighborhood where the Village invited all the property owners of the affected parcels. This was so that the property owners can have a chance to see what the Village was doing and why and to provide input.
- Are there any major public concerns by the residents?
 - The residents of the properties had the opportunity to have their voices heard at the public meetings. No major concerns were brought up. However, there were a couple of reassurances along the way.

A motion to recommend approval of Zoning Referral #2020-008 with staff and board comments was made by Mr. Van Heusen and seconded by Mr. Neenan. Ms. Roffe opposed. Abstentions from Ms. Gehrig and Mr. Fahey. The motion did not carry.

Ms. Roffe made a motion for Zoning Referral #2020-008 to be considered to have no significant County-Wide impact, seconded by Mr. Sparling. Ms. Mulligan, Ms. Mack and Ms. Kalmar opposed. Abstentions from Ms. Gehrig and Mr. Fahey. The motion did not carry.

The referral will go back to the Village of Mount Morris with comments from the Board for their consideration. No action was taken by the Planning Board.

Local Announcements

None.

Other Business

- There will be an email going out about how everyone feels about having the Board members contact information shared.
- The 2020 US Census is here. The enumeration starts in mid-March. The Census Bureau is offering two new ways to submit the census. The new ways are by either online or by phone. The phone option is not automated, and you will actually speak to a real person once a preferred language is selected. The census can also still be submitted by paper if you would prefer. Letters from the US Census Bureau will be received within the first couple weeks of March to let everyone know that the enumeration process has begun. The Planning Department asks that you talk to your community members and let them know this is coming up. Federal money comes to Livingston County based on population,

and the U.S Census updates that data every 10 years. Population is also tied to congressional seats. New York is potentially at risk of losing some congressional seats if a full count isn't received state-wide. Livingston County is strongly pushing to have a full count achieved. Livingston County did an amazing job with responding during the past 2010 US Census. Our goal is to beat the rates from 2010. Any questions regarding the 2020 US Census can be directed towards Mr. Rooney at the Livingston County Planning Department.

The next County Planning Board meeting will be held on March 12, 2020.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Van Heusen and seconded by Ms. Kalmar. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, C. Joan Crunden, Secretary

Recorded by Jocelyn Bishop, Senior Typist