

Town of Hoosick Zoning Board Minutes
June 3, 2019

Present: Chairman Jim Hoag, Andy Beaty, Mike Baily and Attorney Mark McQuerrey. Wally Sheffer arrived late.

The meeting was called to order at 7 P.M. by Chairman Jim Hoag with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The May 6, 2019 minutes were approved unanimously.

Chairman Hoag made a statement regarding the status of the odor issue that has arisen in relation to the Naturea CBD operation on Route 67. The operator has provided assurances to control odors. Ken Laport, whose mother is a neighbor of the Naturea operation, was requested to work with the building inspector to monitor the situation.

The Board requested that the minutes set forth a clarification of the permit approval resolutions for Michael Formel and Donald Houle, Jr. issued by the Board on May 6, 2019 that the obligation to provide a copy of the NYS Registration within 30 days was to commence upon receipt of said NYS Registration by the permittee.

Matthew Tripoli of CS Energy gave the Board a preliminary summary of the status of a large solar array project that the company is developing in the Town. Mr. Tripoli advised that development would be a lengthy process, by which an application to the Board could be a year or more off. The Board advised that, due to the size and complexity of the contemplated project, it was probable that the Board would need to hire a consulting engineer to assist in its review, the cost of which would be born by the applicant. Discussion also included that the aesthetic impact of the project would be a major concern and that fencing around the project site would be required. It was also recommended that the applicant review the Town's recently enacted Solar project requirements. Payment in lieu of taxes was also discussed.

David Elliot from Enlighten Power advised the Board that he wanted to renew the expired approval for the solar array on the Wysoki property, previously approved by the Board in 2014. Mr. Elliot was advised to provide a letter to the Board, setting forth good cause to renew the expired approval pursuant to the Site Plan Law and to provide detailed description of all changes to the project from what was previously approved, so the the Board can evaluate whether a new application for approval will be required, including but not limited to power generation levels, panel size, density of panels, and who will be receiving credit for the power generated (high school, and/or others).

A motion to adjourn was approved unanimously.

J. Mark McQuerrey
Attorney

Minutes approved by Zoning Board
