

TOWN OF NEWSTEAD - PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

September 9, 2013

Newstead Town Hall – 7:30PM

MEMBERS

PRESENT: Tom Cowan, Chairman

John Olaf

John Potera

Don Hoefler

Erik Polkowski

Andy Kelkenberg

ABSENT: Terry Janicz

OTHER: Christine Falkowski, Recording Clerk

Ralph Migliaccio, Code Enforcement Officer

Work Session

Minutes

John Potera made a motion to approve the minutes of August 12, 2013, seconded by Andy:

Tom - Aye

John Olaf - Aye

John Potera - Aye

Don - Aye

Andy - Aye

Erik - Aye

Minutes

Don made a motion to approve the minutes of August 26, 2013, seconded by John Olaf:

Tom - Aye

John Olaf - Aye

John Potera - Aye

Don - Aye

Andy - Aye

Erik - Aye

Green Kangaroo Storage Site Plan – 13399 Main Road

No update since Wendel Duchscherer's first review memo of August 21st.

Code Revisions

Ralph distributed photos taken today of tall grass at five properties, most of which are bank owned. He also distributed tall grass laws from the Towns of Cheektowaga, West Seneca, Clarence and Tonawanda. He stated he is not looking to make money on mowing lawns or keep the Highway Department busier, but wants to appease taxpayers who complain. If we had a similar local law, we could avoid Court and solve the problem sooner. After a straw vote of 5/1, the majority Board agreed to research this further along with other code amendments.

12261 Rapids Road one-lot minor subdivision

Complete application not received yet.

Sign law review

Christine prepared and distributed the sign draft with the changes agreed upon to date, and items still to be addressed in red. Items discussed were:

- Adding definitions, including some new ones.
- Planning Board's right to vary sign regulations
- Electronic sign criteria
- Banners, ribbons, streamers, fluttering or revolving devices
- Whether to consult with a sign vendor
- Town of Clarence sign law

There being no further business, John Potera made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15PM, seconded by John Olaf and all approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Falkowski, Recording Clerk