

Newfield Planning Board Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2014

In Attendance:

- **Planning Board:** Nancy Dolge (Chair), Tom Gerow, René Borgella, Karen Trask
- **Absent:** Jeff Golden, with notice
- **Secretary:** Barbara Tefft, absent, no prior notice- medical/family. Tom Gerow, acting sect'y
- **Also in attendance:** Michelle Henry

Meeting called to order, 7:00 pm, Newfield Town Hall.

Minutes of September 17, 2014:

Discussion: No quorum present from Sept 17th mtg.

Motion to Approve: Tabled until October 15, 2014 meeting.

Old Business

- Rene and Tom are going to the October 30th training session at TC3.
- No town board report, no Planning Board members were able to attend.

2015 Planning Board Budget:

- Nancy attended Town Board meeting 9-24-14 to discuss proposed Planning Board budget.. There is a \$200,000+ shortfall in Town budget. The Planning Board budget of entire \$6450 request for 2015 does not look promising.
- Planning Board was directed to utilize current budget in full for needed items since the Town Board cannot “roll over” funds from one year to the next.
- Checkbook balance is \$737.25. In addition, secretary has \$525.30
- Barb to submit time card to Town for her most recent hours to date
- **Possible 2014 Expenditures:**
 - Town Planning Board banner
 - Community Service Organization Directory on website and hard copies
 - discussion on what form and where to place hard copies
 - Karen Trask volunteered to do mock up of a tri-fold brochure
 - Easel
 - Books pertaining to planning
 - Hard copies of the comprehensive plan
 - Rene suggested revamping the website before adding to it, will inquire asap
 - possibly tie into Facebook and Twitter

Discussion: Community Organization Collaborative Event

- Town Board did not respond to request for delivering a “welcome” to the people gathered at the organizational meeting. Nancy asked Joanne that night if she would do it. She did.
- Barb is transcribing notes onto paper and will post on website
- Karen went over comment card results

Planning Board Member Comments:

Tom: Went very well, good ideas out on table. Very smooth.

Karen: Conversation got hijacked, not as effective as she had hoped. Great mood in the room.

Rene: Achieved goals, got people in the room talking to each other. Microphone wasn't working well. The goodies helped.

Nancy: Video was great, very well received. Room was loud, made it hard to hear, good things are already happening (i.e. community children's garden decorated for Halloween).

Speak with George Sheldrake to find out why he left the Town of Ithaca.

Karen: tourism "maple weekend"; clearing house for volunteers, grant writing help.

Planning Board should send thank you's to Sue Redmond and Kristin Black.

Nancy: Community Center and New Fire Station needs need to be looked at. Need an Excel contact list of community organizations, René will consolidate.

Local Law #2 2014 Moratorium:

- Planning Board needs to continue research to make recommendations to Town Board regarding Construction and Operation of Commercial Solid Waste Management Facilities in Newfield:
- Nancy: Let's be ready to continue this discussion at the next mtg. We should have intelligent comments on recommendation by February. Current regs? Enforcing ordinances... Some community oversight?
- All Planning Board Members are to review minutes of August 20, 2014 meeting for discussion at November 5, 2014 meeting.

New Business**Report: Karen Trask****Caroline Aquifer Protection Meeting**

- Entire town of Caroline is on an aquifer.
- There are various types of aquifers.
- Establish rates of flow by each well.
- Aquifer protection law.
- Next meeting: 10/2/1 at Brooktondale Fire station at 7pm.

To Do Prior to Nov. 5:

- Karen will have samples of directories.
- Rene will look at website issues and have excel document.
- NEA grants-Government and non-profit
 - Nancy will register Newfield with NYS & US Government grant sites.

Next Newfield Planning Board Meeting is, November 5, 2014 at 7:00pm at the Newfield Town Hall. Regular bimonthly meetings will be held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month.

Motion to Adjourn: René

Second: Karen

Approval: Unanimous

Meeting Adjourned: —— pm