

## Town of Oswego Planning Board Meeting Minutes January 20, 2020

**Chair:** Judy Sabin-Watson

**Vice-Chair:** Francis Dellamano

**Members:** Tom Iorizzo, Ernie Mears, Lee Phillips, Barry Pritchard

**Attorney to the Board:** Kevin Caraccioli

**Secretary:** Kathy Delaney

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chair Judy Sabin-Watson.

**Board attendance:** Judy Sabin-Watson, Francis Dellamano, Tom Iorizzo, Lee Phillips, Barry Pritchard, Attorney, Kevin Caraccioli.

**Excused:**

**Others present:** Gregg Hermann, John Switzer (Summit Solar Capital), Curt Nichols (Delta Engineers, Architects & Land Surveyors)

**Last Meeting Minutes:** Lee Phillips made a motion to accept the December 2019 minutes, second by Tom Iorizzo. All in favor, no opposition. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

**Fox Family feed and rental business update** –conditions required by Town have been approved and building permit has been issued.

**Summit Solar Capital Solar Farm:** John Switzer and Curt Nichols presented.

Required documents have been submitted.

Solar panels will be 3 feet on low end and 8 feet on high end.

National Grid approval due April 1.

Question regarding use of local labor. Mr. Switzer stated there will be approximately 100 temporary construction jobs with the hope of using as much local labor as possible.

Hoping to have operational this year.

General Contractor – Precision Renewable.

Life span- 25 years (possible 5 year extension).

Decommissioning plan in place.

Notice of Intent (NOI) to be submitted to NYSERDA.

Town of Hannibal will need to be notified as part of 239.

Environmental Statement change request from Fran Dellamano: p. 8 suggestion to enter a 'yes' on use of pesticides as things could change through the years and there may be a need.

Barry Pritchard made a motion to deem the application complete, declare Town of Oswego as Lead Agency, schedule a public hearing, and pursue SEQR 239 review. Second by Ernie Mears. All in favor, no opposition. Motion carried.

Kevin to send notice to involved agencies: Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), NYSERDA, County of Oswego Planning Department, County IDA.  
Public Hearing will be set for Monday February 17, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

**New Business:**

**2020 Reorganization:** Judy Sabin-Watson made a motion to name Tom Iorizzo as Planning Chair. Second by Barry Pritchard. All in favor, no opposition. Motion carried.

Judy Sabin-Watson made a motion to name Francis Dellamano as Vice-Chair. Second by Lee Phillips. All in favor, no opposition. Motion carried.

David Sterio has been approved as a new member of the Planning Board by the Town Board.

**New York State Sea Grant Funding:** Tom Iorizzo made a motion to support the Town of Oswego to seek funding from New York State Sea Grant. Second by Lee Phillips. All in favor, no opposition. Motion carried.

**Discussion:** Tom Iorizzo is stressing the great opportunity to use local labor for the construction of the solar farm.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn made by Lee Phillips, second by Tom Iorizzo. Meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM.

**Next Meeting:** Monday February 17, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Delaney , Secretary