

Town of Tyre

Planning Board

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Minutes Of The Meeting Held: **February 28, 2012** Tyre Town Highway Building

Members In Attendance: Robert Seem, Alan Smith, Ronald McGreevy, David Kain, Larry Kesel, Neil Worden

Guests: Tyre Resident Deborah Geary

Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting:

Town of Tyre Planning Board Chairman Robert Seem called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Tyre resident Deborah Geary introduced herself and subsequently expressed interest in the Comprehensive Plan drafting process as well as an interest in the general duties and responsibilities of the Town Planning Board. Chairman Seem proceeded to provide a brief summary of the Comprehensive Plan process to date, noting the survey that was sent out to Tyre property owners as well as describing related issues and topics that have been or still need to be addressed. A general overview of the Planning Board was also discussed.

Planning Board members Neil Worden and David Kain briefly discussed editing some existing information and in addition mentioned other farm related issues such as drumlins, muckland and downsizing.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

The regular monthly Town of Tyre Planning Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairman Robert Seem.

The minutes of the meeting held on January 24th, 2012 were approved as written on a motion of Larry Kesel seconded by Alan Smith.

New Business:

Board members briefly reviewed the NYPF Winter 2012 issue of *Planning News* and the Jan./Feb. issue of *Talk of the Towns & Topics* magazine.

Board member Larry Kesel provided his monthly report on the status of the Tyre website noting responses made to a number of on-line inquiries. A complete training update for the year 2012 was also provided.

Planning Board members discussed a request made by the Tyre Town Board on 2/16/12 to continue work on the draft amendment to the Tyre Zoning Law regarding *Commercial Kennels/Commercial Pet Breeding Facilities*. This request was made in light of the current Town of Gorham controversy making area headlines regarding a "Puppy Mill" proposed to be located in that community. It was noted that the Town Board was made aware that the Tyre Planning Board has since 2005 spent significant time and effort researching this issue and have prepared several preliminary draft proposals, with the latest revision being completed in March of 2011. Tyre Town Attorney Charles Shaffer suggested that Planning Board Chairman Seem send a letter to NYS Ag & Markets requesting guidance in this process as well as seeking the opinion of that agency regarding potential local enforcement of existing NYS law.

Board members briefly reviewed the *Cashing In On Geocaching Along the Cayuga Lake Scenic Byway* document and discussed the presentation which was made by members of that organization to the Tyre Town Board on 2/16/12.

Members discussed the possibility of rescheduling the April 24th, 2012 regular Tyre Planning Board and Comprehensive Plan Committee meetings due to the Presidential Primary Election being held that day from noon until 9PM. Board members unanimously agreed to tentatively change the meeting date to Thursday, April 26th with the same startup times. Secretary McGreevy will check with other town department heads for any possible conflicts. A notice of the new date will be posted on the Tyre website well in advance of the meeting.

Board members were made aware that the Seneca County Dept. of Planning and Community Development will hold a 4hr. training course on September 17th, 2012 in the Office for the Aging @ the County building on 1 DiPronio Drive in Waterloo. There is planned to be a small fee charged to cover refreshments. Course topics and additional details will be forthcoming.

Old Business: None

Zoning Code Enforcement Officer Report:

Code Enforcement Officer McGreevy reported that since the Planning Board meeting of January 24th, 2012 the following Town of Tyre Zoning Permits have been issued: #12-2 to David C. Rauscher/Empire-Seneca LLC, 1606 NYS Route 414, Waterloo, to *Install a Fence* and #12-3 to Dean M. High, 226 Gravel Rd., Seneca Falls, to *Remove an Existing Barn and Build a New Barn*.

On a motion of Neil Worden seconded by David Kain, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Next Meeting Scheduled For March 27th, 2012
@ Tyre Town Highway Building 7:00 PM
-Please Contact The Secretary If You Are Unable To Attend-

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald F. McGreevy

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