

**Montgomery County Planning Board**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021**  
**(digital meeting via Zoom)**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Wayne DeMallie, Chairman  
Ronald Jemmott, Member  
Irene Collins, Member  
David Wiener, Member  
Erin Covey, Member  
Angela Frederick, Member

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Alex Kuttesch, Senior Planner  
Karl Gustafson Jr., Grant Assistant  
Andrew Santillo, Economic Dev. Assistant

**ABSENT:**

Doug Stahura, Member  
Mark Hoffman, Vice Chair  
John Lyker, Member  
Betty Sanders, Alternate

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Amanda Bearcroft, City of Amsterdam  
Tim Riley, Town of Glen  
Steve Long, Solar Project

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wayne DeMallie at 6:31 p.m.

**II. Roll Call**

The roll call of board members was done by Chairman DeMallie.

**III. Adoption of the Agenda**

David Wiener made a motion to accept the agenda, Erin Covey seconded. All members present were in favor.

**IV. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes**

Erin Covey made a motion to accept previous meeting minutes, Irene Collins seconded the motion. The previous minutes were approved.

**V. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

## **VI. City of Amsterdam- Site Plan Review**

Alex Kuttesch explained to the board that this project is located at the Amsterdam Golf Course. The City will be subdividing where the clubhouse facility is located. The City of Amsterdam will be selling one parcel to the future developer for a new restaurant at the course and will be utilizing the old cart barn as their temporary clubhouse for the time being.

Amanda Bearcroft stated that the City approved the subdivision at their level. She added that the City will not be adding anything additional to the old cart barn, it will be all internal work being done. Amanda also stated that country club accessories require special use permits, this is why the referral is for a site plan review and special use permit.

David Wiener asked if there will be any changes to the parking. Amanda stated that there will be no changes to the existing parking lot at the location.

Angela Frederick made the motion to approve the referral, seconded by Ron Jemmott. Irene Collins abstained. Rest of the board were in favor.

The referral was approved.

## **VII. Town of Glen- Special Use Permit**

Alex Kuttesch explained that this will be a special use permit referral for a 5 megawatt community solar project. Alex stated that the project will be 47 acres and is located on the western side of the Schoharie Creek. There will be an access road off of Route 5s that will lead up to the solar project. 19 of the 47 acre parcel will have panels on them.

Steve Long from the solar project stated that the project will sit 2,000 feet back from Route 5s. Steve said that the owner of the parcel has never used this piece of land and the project will be well hidden.

Irene Collins asked who would be benefitting from this project. Steve Long stated that anyone in the utility zone has the opportunity to get a discount of 50% off their electric bill. Irene also asked if the project will be noticeable from the Thruway. Steve Long doesn't think the project will be noticeable from Route 5s or the Thruway.

Tim Riley asked Steve what road they would be using to work on the project. Steve stated that they will be using an existing driveway for the project.

Irene Collins asked about the work signage for the project during construction. Steve Long stated that their construction crews have always put up construction work signs during past projects and if DOT requires more then they will do so.

Dave Wiener made the motion to approve the referral, seconded by Erin Covey. All were in favor.

The referral was approved.

#### **VIII. Other Business**

There was no other business.

#### **IX. Adjournment**

Angela Frederick made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m., seconded by Irene Collins. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

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Karl Gustafson Jr.  
Economic Development Grant Assistant