

**Town of Bergen Planning Board
Minutes of September 26th, 2013
Bergen Town Hall**

Present: Gary Fink, Norm Pawlak, Mark Gerhardy, Dominick Camelio, Kathi McLaughlin, Randall Holbrook, and John Skomski

Not Present: Andrew Fink Alt.

Also Present: Dave Mason, Bill Waldruff and Jim Bellavia

Donofrio Public Hearing

The hearing was opened at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Fink. A notice was published in the Batavia Daily News and posted at the Town Hall and Post Office. The subdivision was reviewed by the county on August 8th, 2013 and came back with a recommendation of approval. Gary Donofrio was not present for the hearing. Mr. Donofrio is applying for a subdivision at 7181 West Bergen Road, at the southeast corner of West Bergen Road and Dublin Road. The total acreage of the land is approximately 24 acres which will be divided into three parcels. Parcel One will be approximately 4.5 acres, Parcel Two will be approximately 16 acres and Parcel Three will be approximately 2.5 acres. Mr. Donofrio's son has future plans to build a house on the lot located on Dublin Road (Parcel Two). Jim Bellavia, a neighbor to the Donofrios, was present at the meeting to hear the detail as to what was being proposed. He had no objection.

The hearing closed at 7:16 p.m.

A motion to approve the subdivision was made by Norm Pawlak, seconded by John Skomski, voted and carried. Mr. Donofrio will be meeting with Chairman Fink to sign the maps and pay fees.

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:17 p.m. A motion to approve the August 2013 minutes with corrections was made by Kathi McLaughlin, seconded by John Skomski, voted and carried.

Old/New Business

9-1-1 Communications Tower. Representatives from the county met with the Zoning Board of Appeals the previous week to go over plans of building a 200 ft. free standing communication tower off of Route 33, slightly west of Route 19, behind the water tower. The tower will enhance communication between first responders in the area and surrounding counties. The plan is to have the tower complete by June 2014. The project is exempt from Planning/Zoning regulations because it is a state/county project.

Comprehensive Plan. On October 9th, 2013, there will be a meeting involving the Town Board to discuss the Comprehensive Plan. Norm Pawlak, John Skomski and Kathi McLaughlin all expressed interest in being on the team. Some details that Norm questioned were what will the expected time commitment look like and how will payment work.

7 - Eleven Update Dave Mason stated that he had talked to a 7-Eleven representative the previous week. The rep informed him that they may be interested in changing the canopy plan. Rather than having the pumps as they stand now, they were thinking about having them in a row and making the entrance closest to the intersection on Route 33 an “entrance only” way. If this thought persists, they will need to come before the Planning Board with a site plan to be reviewed.

No other business was discussed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kathi McLaughlin, seconded by John Skomski, voted and carried.

The meeting ended at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Smith, secretary

Cc: Michelle Smith, Town Clerk
Don Cunningham, Supervisor
Anne Sapienze, Assessor
Bill Waldruff, ZBA Chairman