

PLANNING BOARD
TOWN OF BERNE
PO Box 57
Berne NY 12023

Date: April 4, 2019

Present:

Planning Board Members: Todd Schwendeman (Chair), Mike Vincent, Emily Vincent, Mark Hohengasser (Alternate), Dawn Jordan (Town Councilmember) and Cathy Shultes (Planning Board Secretary)

Guests Present: Nancy Vlahos (TRC), Christian Schlesinger (ForeFront), Brian Maliszweski (ForeFront), John Crosier and other interested citizens.

Regular Meeting:

Todd Schwendeman called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Review of Minutes:

Mike Vincent made a motion, seconded by Emily Vincent to accept the minutes from 03/07/19 with edits as requested by Mike Vincent. Motion carried with the following members voting aye: Todd Schwendeman, Mike Vincent and Emily Vincent.

Old Business:

Schimpf, Phoebe and O'Donnell, Evan : SBL #92.-2-20.1 / 119 Pinnacle Road, East Berne, NY 12059

1. In response to the recommendation request from the ZBA, "the Planning Board of the Town of Berne recommends the proposed revised minor subdivision variance application as submitted by P. Schimpf and Evan O'Donnell be **denied**.
 2. *Emily Vincent made a motion, seconded by Mike Vincent to accept the denial of the revised minor subdivision variance application. Motion carried with the following members voting aye: Todd Schwendeman, Mike Vincent and Emily Vincent.*
 3. A formal correspondence, with supporting detail will be forwarded to the ZBA Chair.
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Proposed Minor Subdivision and Historic District Application Documentation

1. Mr. William Conboy (Town Attorney) has reviewed the documents and has no further comments/edits. The documents will be provided to the Town Board for approval
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New Business:

Crosier, Marianna and John / Crosier, Barbara and Kevin: SBL: 91-1-30.11 / 683 Helderberg Trail, East Berne, NY 12059 / Preliminary review of Lot Line Adjustment Application

There was a discussion regarding combining the parcels under a Lot Line Adjustment
A new map with the current dividing property line removed is required from the involved parties.

Solar Presentation by ForeFront Power - An industrial solar presentation was delivered by Christian Schlesinger and Brian Maliszewski of ForeFront Power, supported by Nancy Vlahos of TRC. ForeFront is a renewable energy developer with a focus on wholesale power, behind-the-meter, and virtual renewable energy solutions. A copy of the slide presentation is on file.

Other

**Webinar – Battery Energy Storage System Guidebook – Wednesday, April 10, 2019 –
presented by NYSERDA**

**Webcast – Animal Regulation Issues for Local Governments – Monday, April 22, 2019 –
presented by Cornell Cooperative Extension**

NYSDEC Hudson Estuary Aquifer Protection grant funding update - Emily Vincent will pick up the lead on this opportunity.

Senior Housing Update (Mike Vincent) – nothing new to report.

PERM / PESHA Training – Planning Board members are required to complete the training online. Is this training part of, or, in addition to the required 8 hours of training.

Adjourn

There being no other business before the Board, Mike Vincent made a motion, seconded by Emily Vincent to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Motion carried with the following members voting aye: Todd Schwendeman, Mike Vincent and Emily Vincent.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Shultes, Planning Secretary