

## PUTNAM PLANNING BOARD

APRIL 11, 2018

The Putnam Planning Board met on April 11<sup>th</sup> at the Putnam Town Hall. The following board members were present: Chairman Galen Seerup, Robert Rudt, Allen Moore, Jim Hock and Richard Beebe. Wayne Busby and Richard Malaney were absent. Geoff Hillenbrand, Darrell Wilson, Chris Navitsky, Will Becchina, Dennis MacElroy, John LaPointe and Kim Seerup were also present as guests.

**Resolution #12** – A motion was made by Jim Hock to approve March minutes. Seconded by Richard Beebe and passed unanimously.

**Thomas Kirkpatrick** – Geoff Hillenbrand from Plumley Engineering, acting as representative for a site plan project to extend the driveway on 538 Gull Bay Road. Received \$25 from Plumley Engineering; requested an Agent Designation Form from Plumley Engineering. A discussion was held at length on storm water requirements for this project. The project is under review by the LGPC, though Mr. Hillenbrand indicated a verbal approval from LGPC. Lake George Water Keeper, Chris Navitsky, made comments concerning the control of the runoff on the downside of the embankment, which is 73 feet from the Lake. Mr. Navitsky also had concerns on the placement of the silt fence with the grade as opposed to perpendicular to the grade. A large amount of fill dirt will need to be brought in to raise the current driveway to the height of the proposed driveway. The Board asked Plumley Engineering to present at the next meeting (1) a cross section of the proposed driveway, (2) an elevation of the proposed project from the lake view, (3) a vegetation plan for the embankment and at the bottom of the embankment, (4) and to make consideration on the silt fence. No SEQR has been completed for this project.

**William Becchina** – Mr. Becchina presented a site plan project to construct a new home on Crow Point Way. APA has issued a non-jurisdictional letter. Plans are under review by the LGPC, which has considered this site a Major storm water project. Mr. Becchina reviewed his overall project focusing on the storm water plans for the site. Received \$25 for site plan application fee. The Board asked that Mr. Becchina consider several smaller drywells for the driveway to catch water as it flows in the place of the one currently shown.

**Resolution #13** – A motion was made by Richard Beebe to accept the site plan application of Mr. Becchina, and to consider this a Type 2 project, and requested a public hearing for next meeting. Seconded by Jim Hock. Robert Rudt recused himself from the vote.

**Donald Fuchs** – Dennis MacElroy from Environmental Design Partnership representing a site plan project for improvements to 1512 Five Camps Way, on Gull Bay Extension Road. Received \$25 for site plan application fee. Mr. MacElroy gave a description of the walkways and patio that are proposed around the existing structure, the movement of an existing shed off the property line. Gould Landscaping will be the builder. The LGPC has issued a non-jurisdictional for this project, though a reference to the work done in 2013 was non-jurisdictional, consideration needs to be made for the cumulative effect of both projects. The plans indicate a pre-existing outside shower on the lake side of the house.

**Resolution #14** – A motion was made by Robert Rudt to accept the site plan application contingent on the removal of the shower or a suitable means to manage the gray water in accordance with LGPC and Town Regulations; seconded by Jim Hock; motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution #15** – A motion was made by Alan Moore to categorize this project as a Type 1; seconded by Richard Beebe; motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution #16** – A motion was made by Alan Moore to schedule a public hearing on May 9<sup>th</sup>; seconded by Jim Hock; motion passes with Robert Rudt opposed the public hearing stating that he thought it unnecessary.

**Washington County Building Inspector** – Discussion with John LaPointe, Putnam Town Supervisor, regarding Code Enforcement vs. County Building Inspector. The County will enforce NYS building and fire and safety codes and would ensure that proper septic is required to meet NYS building codes. Mr. Jim Buxton from the county indicated that his department will not enforce any other regulations, i.e., LGPC, APA or Town Regulations. The Board expressed its concern these items would not be monitored by a qualified individual. Darrell Wilson, Deputy Town Supervisor, suggested that The Board get a gauge on the magnitude of these events prior to taking an action such as hiring a separate code enforcement individual. John LaPointe would be calling Jim Buxton for his opinion, and to ask Mr. Buxton to attend a future meeting.

**Site Plan Regulations Revisions** – Mr. LaPointe indicated that the Town Attorney, John Brietenbach, continues to review and revise the regulations. No time provided for completion.

**Barbara Connor** – Photos were reviewed by The Board showing work done on Barbara Connor's driveway. It was explained that this was not ordinary maintenance as the driveway was beginning to erode and Mrs. Connor had the driveway dug up and repaired with new fill. The contractor wants to place railroad ties at the site to further the work done.

**Resolution #17** – A motion was made by Robert Rudt that Mrs. Connor should come in for a site plan review; seconded by Galen Seerup; motion passed with Alan Moore and Jim Hock opposed.

Chairman Seerup reviewed the March 14<sup>th</sup> presentation made by the LGPC on new storm water regulation proposal.

Chairman Seerup reported the following items: Tim Johnson has called and postponed his appearance; Evelyn Spann has called and postponed her appearance; Scipio application has gone beyond the 60-day mark.

**Resolution #18** – A motion was made by Richard Beebe to adjourn this month's meeting. Seconded by Robert Rudt and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Planning Board Clerk Substitute

*Next Planning Board Meeting May 9, 2018  
Minutes subject to approval*