Town of Canadice Planning Board

Natural Resource Extraction Research Committee MEETING: JUNE 16, 2014

Meeting began: 7:00 pm

Attending: Chairperson - Brian Kane; Members - Annette Collins, Steve Engard, Ed Johnson

Approved as amended: July 7, 2014

Agenda, notes:

1. Welcome and review of agenda.

a. Purpose of the meeting: approve committee mission/purpose; provide updates on research and outside meetings; determine next steps.

2. Approval of the minutes

a. Annette Collins asks that the minutes of the June 2, 2014 meeting be amended as follows: this is the correct spelling for Darlys McDonough's name. Annette moves that the minutes be approved as amended. Ed Johnson seconds the motion. The vote is 4-0 in favor of the motion.

3. Updates:

- a. Brian Kane spoke with Don Root, former Conservation Officer for the City of Rochester's Water Authority. Mark Erdle was also present at that meeting. Brian will type up the notes for that meeting. Also given to the committee are two letters from former Mayor Tom Richards to the NYS DEC Commissioner regarding fracking.
- Brian Kane also received information from the Town of Canandaigua, Town of Dryden and town supervisor Kris Singer. All documents have been sent to the committee via email.
- c. Ed Johnson reached out to Bob Morrison at the city water authority regarding the lakes. He was referred to Enrique Maisch and will follow up with him.
- d. Annette Collins referenced a May 6 article in the Daily Messenger on environmentalists urging green energy.

4. Mission/Purpose of the Committee

- a. Annette Collins offers alternative language for the mission/purpose of the committee as follows: "The Research Committee is to offer ways for the Town of Canadice to address resource extractions issues, including fracking."
- b. After some discussion, two proposals are on the table to define the mission/purpose of the committee.
- c. Steve Engard offers the following motion: "Consistent with the Town's Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code, develop recommendations related to natural resource extraction that promote and protect the rural character of the Town, and the health and welfare of residents." Ed Johnson seconds the motion. The vote is 3-1 in favor of the motion. Because the motion carried, there is no need to vote on the second proposal.

- 5. Intent of the zoning code changes
 - a. Going forward, Annette Collins asks that we consider the following language as the preamble/intent of the code changes that we will propose: "The intent of this law shall insure that in the Town of Canadice any extraction of renewable energy (green) from air, waters and the ground will be conducted with the best of its residents and their intended rural environmental development."
 - b. This language will be reviewed at the appropriate time.
- 6. A work plan for developing possible recommendations for revision of the code was reviewed and informally agreed to. At this stage, continued research is seen as the wisest task of the committee.
 - a. Answer the questions: are there useful models of how other communities have addressed the issue of natural resource extraction? Are there individuals, organizations or communities who can assist us in acquiring research, plans, codes, or legislation?
 - b. Review the Town's Comprehensive Plan and Code; identify the secondary impacts of natural resource extraction; review the Town's Emergency Plan.

7. Next Steps:

- a. Next meeting: July 7, 2014 at 7:00 pm.
- b. Meet twice monthly, on the first and third Mondays of the month.
- c. Before next meeting:
 - i. Steve Engard to talk with Bob Best about the permitting process as it relates to natural resource extraction
 - ii. Ed Johnson to pursue a conversation with the city water authority
 - iii. Annette Collins to create a list of the relevant sections of town code that might relate to resource extraction
 - iv. Brian Kane to get watershed maps for county; ask DEC to describe/define watershed; ask Livingston County about salt mine; find other models of resource extraction to review.
- 8. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Steve Engard and seconded by Annette Collins. The vote was 4-0 in favor of the motion.

Submitted by: Brian Kane