

TOWN OF BATAVIA PLANNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 16, 2016

PRESENT: Chairman Kathleen Jasinski, Members Paul McCullough, Paul Marchese, Jon Long, Jeremy Liles, Don Partridge, Lou Paganello and Gordon Offhaus

ALSO ATTENDING: Steve Mountain, Bruce Gerould, Secretary Brittany Witkop, Sharon White, Howard Owen of The Batavian, Jim Krencik of The Daily News, Paul Webster of Credit East, Peter Sorgi of Hopkins, Sorgi, and Romanowski PLLC, Matt Geissler, Sarah Geissler, Lee Shuknecht and Robin Shuknecht for L&M Specialty Fabrication, Tom Turnbull for Genesee Chamber of Commerce.

ABSENT: None

Alternate member will not vote.

MINUTES JULY 19, 2016 MEETING

Paul McCullough made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Seconded by Jeremy Liles. Vote unanimous for approval.

PUBLIC HEARING 7:30 p.m. - OAKFIELD HOSPITALITY, LLC, FOR A SPECIAL USE PERMIT

Attorney Peter Sorgi of Hopkins, Sorgi and Romanowski PLLC representing Oakfield Hospitality, LLC, requested on behalf of his client a Special Use Permit to locate/construct a hotel (Fairfield Inn) in an industrial park at 4333 Federal Drive, in the Town of Batavia, Tax Map #8.1-45.117. Town of Batavia Planning Board also completed SEQR, Short Form, Part II, led by Donald Partridge and found negative declarations. A traffic study was completed by New York State Department of Transportation and the results will be forthcoming. Site plan review by the Town of Batavia will still be necessary. Donald Partridge made a motion for a negative declaration on SEQR Part II and seconded by Paul Marchese (Questions 1-11, all no, or small impact may occur). Motion made by Gordon Offhaus and Jeremy Liles to approve the Special Use Permit. Vote unanimous on both for approval. Public Hearing closed at 7:40 p.m.

L & M SPECIALTY FABRICATION - NEW PROJECT PROPOSAL FOR E. SAILE DRIVE

Mr. Lee Shuknecht has come before the board with a request to build a 21,000 sq. ft. building on the corner of Bank Street Road and Saile Drive on 30 acres of land that his family owns. This would be built by D. A. Tufts and will be known as L&M Specialty Fabrication. The business will build and repair farm equipment. Lee said they would like to start construction this fall if possible. Tom Lichtenthal is working on the site plan review before it goes to Genesee County Planning. The land is currently zoned commercial per Bruce Gerould. Lee has not determined if the property will be fenced in, but it is a possibility at some point. The board advised Lee that he is welcome to call the Town of Batavia with any questions as he goes through this process and that the next step is Genesee County Planning Board approval.

GENESEE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - SIGN REQUEST

Signs by Johns Studio requests to install signs at Genesee Chamber of Commerce, 8276 Park Road directing the public to the Chamber which is on the upper level of the building and the Visitor's Center on the lower level. Genesee County Planning approved the sign request. Tom Turnbull showed the board the location of the signs and noted that they should be moving into their new location by November 1, 2016. Motion made by Lou Paganello and seconded by Paul McCullough to approve the sign request. Vote unanimous for approval.

ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

Per Bruce Gerould, Wal-Mart is building a training center inside their current warehouse.

CHAIRMAN REPORT

Per Kathy Jasinski, board members are invited to Big Tree Glen ribbon cutting on August 30, 2016, at 11 a.m. if they wish to attend. On the same day at 7 p.m. the Planning Board will meet to review the Comprehensive Plan before it goes to the public. There will not be a meeting on September 6, 2016. She reports that Paul Marfione of Conifer sent an email to discuss Big Tree Glen Phase II. She is going to respond requesting Conifer present Phase II of the project at one of our board meetings in the near future.

Gordon Offhaus made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. Seconded by Paul Marchese. Vote unanimous for adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Brittany Witkop
Secretary

Kathleen Jasinski
Chairman