Gallatin Planning Board 667 CR 7, Gallatin NY 12567 Meeting Minutes

ACCEPTED

July 25, 2022

Attending: Chairman Terry Porter, Larry Brody, Michael L. Porter, Jeff Jorve, Applicants Philip & Ivone Ribeiro, Rick Irizarry from New York State Solar Farm, and member of the public, David Dods

Absent: Fraser Paterson

Chairman Porter called the July 25, 2022, GPB meeting to order at 7:00pm

Terry welcomed our new member, Jeff Jorve, to the Board

Terry opened a public hearing for Site Plan Review and Special Permit. Rick Irizarry of New York State Solar Farm presented a plan to construct a free-standing solar power array for Benjamin Stark, 108 Decker Road, tax parcel 195.-1-58. The fixed 800 sq. ft. array is proposed in a meadow on the western slope of the property and will produce 19.9 KW. It will be approximately 11.5 ft. high mounted on auger-like post requiting very little disturbance to the existing soil. The proposed site is not in the Ridgeline Overlay Protection District. Terry asked for public comment and there was none.

Terry made a motion to close the public hearing, Larry 2nd, all were in favor Terry made a motion to answer all the questions of Part 2 of the SEAF in the negative, to to approve the site plan and grant Special Use Permit, Mike 2nd

Roll Call Vote:

Terry – Aye

Larry – Aye

Mike – Aye

Jeff - Aye

Check in the amount of \$150 for the application fee was previously received. Check in the amount of \$25.00 was received for the advertising of the Public Hearing.

Terry continued the public hearing for Site Plan Review and Special Permit for Ivone Ribeiro at 169 Near Road, tax parcel 211.-2-27, to build a private garage more than 1150 sq. ft. At the June meeting, the Board requested additional information to be included on the site plan. The Ribeiros presented a plan that sketched out the location of the house and garage along with the architectural plans for their proposed residence. They also presented a letter that briefly describes the intended use for the proposed garage. Terry pointed out the proposed recycled metal building to be used as the garage seemed out of character for the rural setting and would not adhere to the guidance of the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Ribeiro indicated that he would plan to build a pole barn that would be more in keeping with the rural residential character of the area.

Check in the amount of \$150 for the application fee and check in the amount of \$25.00 for advertising of the Public Hearing were received.

The public hearing was continued until the August meeting to allow more time for the Ribeiros to include the information previously requested on a more official site plan.

Draft Minutes from the March 28, 2022, and June 27, 2022, meetings were reviewed. Larry made a motion to accept the minutes, Mike 2nd All were in favor

With no other business to discuss, Terry made a motion to adjourn at 8:20pm. Mike 2nd. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Terry Porter, Chairman