

PLANNING BOARD  
TOWN OF STUYVESANT  
STUYVESANT, NEW YORK 12173

MINUTES OF JUNE 27, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Gale Bury, Chairman  
Ms. Marilyn Burch  
Ms. Charlene Leach  
Ms. Patricia Casey  
Mr. Harold Leiser  
Mr. Tom Shanahan  
Mr. Sean Cummings

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT:

Tal Rappleyea, Town Attorney  
Cari Watkins-Bates, Scenic Hudson, Inc.  
Tony Colyer-Pendas, Columbia Land Conservancy  
Peter Van Alstyne, Land Surveyor

Chairman Bury called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

1. A motion was made by Harold Leiser and seconded by Marilyn Burch to accept the minutes of the May 23, 2011 meeting after corrections were made to paragraph #5 and #12. All members voted in favor.
2. Conservation Easement for property owned by Wayne and Roberta Austin, 409 County Route 46, Stuyvesant, NY: Cari Watkins-Bates on behalf of Scenic Hudson Land Trust provided a copy of the contract deed and map for the conservation easement. The easement will conserve approximately 150 acres of farmland. There is a current personal use dirt bike trail on the property that will be phased out after two years. A motion was made by Harold Leiser and seconded by Charlene Leach to accept the conservation easement. All members voted in favor. Chairman Bury stamped the maps.
3. Conservation Easement for property owned by Monkshood Nursery, 1094 Route 9J, Stuyvesant, NY: Tony Colyer-Pendas on behalf of Columbia Land Conservancy provided a copy of the contract deed and map for a conservation

easement for David and Melinda Rowley (Monkshood Nursery, LLC). The easement will conserve 81.51 acres. A motion was made by Harold Leiser and seconded by Patricia Casey to accept the conservation easement. All members voted in favor. Chairman Bury stamped the maps.

4. Tal Rappleyea excused himself from the meeting due to a conflict with a matter before the Board involving Aenne Grannis and William Pflaum.
5. Public Hearing: Minor Subdivision Application: Aenne Grannis, 3 Rybka Road, Stuyvesant Falls, NY proposes to merge two separate adjoining tax parcels into approximately one 15 acre parcel. The property was previously subdivided into two lots in 2009. Peter Van Alstyne appeared on behalf of the applicants. A motion was made by Tom Shanahan and seconded by Sean Cummings to open the Public Hearing. All members voted in favor. Several questions were asked by the board members and public concerning the application. However, Peter Van Alstyne indicated he only did the survey and did not have the answers to the questions posed. The board discussed the current use of the property as a dog camp and concerns including a positive environmental impact due to the number of dogs, sound issues and amount of dog waste. A motion was made by Harold Leiser and seconded by Tom Shanahan to adjourn the Public Hearing and declare a positive declaration requiring the applicant provide a long environmental assessment form (SEQR). The following members voted in favor of this motion: Gale Bury, Marilyn Burch, Charlene Leach, Patricia Casey, Harold Leiser and Tom Shanahan. Sean Cummings voted against the motion. Since the applicant did not have a representative at the Public Hearing to answer questions on the proposal, the Public Hearing was continued until the next meet meeting scheduled on Monday, July 25, 2011 at 7:00 pm. The Board took no further action on the application.

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, July 25, 2011 at 7:00 pm. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Harold Leiser and seconded by Patricia Casey. All members voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Narzynski  
Planning Board Secretary