

## **Springport Planning Board Minutes April 17, 2024**

\*Call to order by Chair Mike Sacco

\*Pledge of Allegiance was recited

\*Members present: Mike Sacco, Amy Alcock, Karen Luziani, Jon Patterson, Cathy Dreverman and Lance Winter.

\*Members absent: Donna O'Hara

\*Lynn and Dan Bowen gave the board a presentation regarding their request for a Dog Kennel/Boarding facility that would be located on their property on 970 Great Gully Road. Question #5 and #9 on the Short EAF will be addressed by Howard Tanner.

The proposed facility will have no more than 16 pens, inside and outside runs for the dogs, heated floor and ventilation. The nearest neighbor to the facility is approximately 2500 feet away and there were no concerns voiced from the neighbor regarding this facility. The proposed building will be on the south side of Great Gully Road and will have a new driveway. There will be one (1) sign. The entire perimeter will be fenced in. There will be a dumpster for dog feces and drainage inside the facility for urine. They may be hiring one (1) or two (2) employees in the future, including a groomer. The facility will be named Gully Brook Kennels and will either be doing business as a DBA or an LLC. The approximate date for opening would be April 1, 2024.

The board reviewed and completed the Short EAF form.

A motion was made by Jon Patterson that we accept the Short EAF form, motion seconded by Lance Winter. All were in favor.

A motion was made by Karen Luziani to accept the Special Permit Request from the Bowens with stipulation that the facility is to be used for the described purpose and is non-transferable. The motion was seconded by Amy Alcock. All were in favor.

\*The minutes from the Town of Springport Planning Board Meeting of March 27, 2024 were reviewed. A motion was made by Amy Alcock to accept the minutes. Seconded by Cathy Dreverman. All were in favor.

\*Chair Mike Sacco led the board's discussion regarding solar farms, wind farms and farm waste energy systems. The board reviewed some of the Zoning Ordinances from the Town of Aurelius, Town of Throop, Town of Ira and Town of Scipio.

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Some items brought up during the board's discussion were:

- Jon Patterson shared with the board that NYS Soil and Water Department can give advice as to what properties are considered prime agriculture property.
- Can transmissions lines be buried?
- Are the lanes wide enough for emergency vehicles?
- Batteries? Are they recyclable?
- The board felt that the Aurelius Zoning Ordinances is very extensive and felt this may be something our board would like to adopt as well.
- We will look into the availability of "Fire Fighting Foam" from the Union Springs Fire Department. Is there current availability of the foam for fighting solar panels on homes in the Town of Springport?

\*The board reviewed a Short EAF from Joseph Reding of 80 Gorwydd Lane for a proposed heated storage barn to be located on Route 90 South. There will also be solar panels on the roof. The proposed area is just north of Connors Road on property owned by Kelly O'Hara. Mike Sacco will touch base with Howard Tanner regarding this proposal.

\*The next meeting of the Town of Springport Planning Board will be Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

\*A motion to adjourn was made by Lance Winter, motion seconded by Jon Patterson.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM.