

TOWN OF BETHANY
REGULAR PLANNING BOARD MEETING

May 3, 2012

Chairman Francis Brunner opened the May 3, 2012 Regular Planning Board meeting at 7:30 pm.

Planning Board Members in Attendance:

Francis Brunner Chairman	Dave Carli
Jeff Fluker	Tim Leary (alternate Ray Cipriano)

Town Officials in Attendance:

Bill Gick	Councilman
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Other Attendees:

None

Minutes:

A motion was made by Jeff Fluker to accept the April 5, 2012 Minutes as submitted and was seconded by Francis Brunner. The motion carried with all in favor 4-0.

New Business:

None to report.

Old Business:

Comprehensive Plan Review:

Without other business, the meeting was dedicated to the subject of protecting the Town from infrastructure damage that could result from Windmill and Hydraulic Fracturing Companies. Although little can be done to prevent these companies from doing business in the Town, safeguards can be written into the current Zoning Law and incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan.

Some of these measures include but are not limited to:

- Preservation of the Town's rural atmosphere
- Preservation of top soils for farming
- Preservation of roads
- Traffic control, specifically heavy truck

- Public Safety concerns such as children and school buses.
- Aesthetics regarding any structures built i.e. Pumping Stations

Chairman Brunner has spoken with Planning Board member Ray Cipriano who plans to invite the Supervisor of the Town of Bliss to the July Planning Board meeting. Bliss has implemented similar language into their Zoning Laws and Comprehensive Plan as a result of the Windmill projects that have occurred there. These laws have been tested and proven to be effective.

Additionally, Planning Board member Dave Carli has offered to contact and extend invitation to Mary Kay Barton to attend a future Planning Board meeting. She has been an advocate in helping other town's exercise their rights and plan ahead to safeguard their interests.

Dave will put together an outline of specifics and present it to the Board members.

More to come.

Closing Comments:

None to Report.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Dave Carli to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM and seconded by Chairman Brunner. The motion carried with all in favor 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Leary
Planning Board Secretary