

**TOWN OF BARRE  
PLANNING BOARD  
DECEMBER 19, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:30 PM

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Wes Miller	Jean Depatie
Kurt Dudley	Paul Gillette
Jean Peglow	Wilford Wraight
Darryl Sanford	Kirk Mathes

**BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Tom Keeler

Others present: Tom McCabe, Sean Pogue, Larry Gaylard, Dana Watson, Eric Watson, Connie Ebbs, Ronald Ebbs, and John Metzler.

**I. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. Gillette made a resolution to approve the meeting minutes of November 13<sup>th</sup>. Seconded by Mrs. Peglow and carried (7-0).

**II. PUBLIC HEARING: Watson Enterprises Inc./Expedited Property Service Inc. Site Plan Review and Special Use Permit (subdivision (94-1-21.1))**

Mr. Miller stated that the Watson's have a letter from Panek's for purchasing roughly 18 acres to build a pole barn for storage and office to be able to run his business. The original SEQR on page 1 has two acres being physically disturbed; however it should only be one acre. This was discovered at the County Planning Board meeting.

Comments made:

- Property was originally part of a family farm. They have been allowed to hunt and have sleigh rides etc.
- Farming practices are being diminished.
- Code develops districts and we should stay with it.
- Not against project but where it is located.
- Deforestation and loss of hedge rows is causing a loss of mammals and wild life. We are taking away their habitat and leaving them malnourished.

**Resolution 7-1217**

Introduced by: Kurt Dudley  
Seconded by: Paul Gillette

**WHEREAS**, The Town of Barre Planning Board has reviewed the application of Watson Enterprises for a Site Plan Review for subdivision of property located at West Lee Road (94-1-21.1); and be it hereby

**RESOLVED**, the Site Plan be approved.

**UPON ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Mr. Miller – Aye  
Mr. DePatie – Aye  
Mr. Dudley - Aye  
Mr. Gillette – Aye  
Mrs. Peglow – Aye  
Mr. Wraight – Aye  
Mr. Sanford – Aye

The resolution was thereupon duly adopted.

**Resolution 8-1217**

Introduced by: Jean Peglow  
Seconded by: Wilford Wraight

**WHEREAS**, The Town of Barre Planning Board has reviewed the application of Watson Enterprises for a Special Use Permit for subdivision of property located at West Lee Road (94-1-21.1); and be it hereby

**RESOLVED**, the Special Use Permit are approved with the following conditions:

1. The minimum parking requirement shall be met pursuant to 350-30-H2 of the Barre Zoning Ordinance or the necessary area variance be obtained.

**UPON ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Mr. Miller – Aye  
Mr. DePatie – Aye  
Mr. Dudley - Aye  
Mr. Gillette – Aye  
Mrs. Peglow – Aye  
Mr. Wraight – Aye  
Mr. Sanford – Aye

The resolution was thereupon duly adopted.

Mr. & Mrs. Ebbs stated that they were glad that they came and could voice their opinions and we listened even if it did not go their way. They stated that the County did not notify them that it was being heard and were told that the County does not do that but we as the Town do.

The public hearing was closed at 6:49 pm.

### **III. OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. McCabe stated that the Comprehensive Plan was approved Friday at a special meeting.

In regards to the proposed Solar Plan

- Where did the farm definition come from? It the IRS definition
- Top of page 4 under E should be 110%, not 11%
- Smaller farms not falling into IRS definition could not do it
- Residential has to do permit
- National Grid doesn't want you to be a producers
- Local fire safety code should be in it
- Town board would be the lead agency same as wind policy
- Under 350-122 tax exemption need to know what law 487. – is it for big commercial business?
- Need clarification from Mr. Mark on this.
- Mr. Miller will send typographical errors to Mrs. Preston who will fix them and forward the policy onto Mr. Lance.

### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

The tentative meeting dates for 2018 was given out and approved.

### **V. COMMUNICATION**

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Mr. Miller stated that the December meeting was cancelled.

### **VI. ADJORNMENT**

Mrs. Peglow made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 pm, seconded by Mr. Depatie and carried (7-0).

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Lee A. Preston, Clerk