

**TOWN OF BARRE
PLANNING BOARD
APRIL 8, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER: 6:37 PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Tom Keeler	Wes Miller
Jean Depatie	Kurt Dudley
Kirk Mathes	Stephen Harling
Jean Peglow	Dr. George McKenna
Eric Watson	

Others present: Joachim Wietler, James Graham, Marlene Graham, Richard Cox, Robin Nacca, Tom McCabe, and Rebecca Wietler.

I. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Dudley made a motion to accept the minutes of March 11th. Seconded by Mr. Harling and carried (7-0).

II. PUBLIC HEARING Joachim Wietler 14380 Gillette Road 117-1-46.121

The Public hearing was opened at 6:40 pm by Mr. Keeler.

Mr. Keeler stated that the hearing was a continuation of the March public hearing which was tabled as some residents were concerned about drainage issues. Soil and Water was to investigate. They have sent a letter to the Grahams and to Mr. Wietler. Basically Soil and Water suggested the Grahams and Mr. Wietler come up with a solution.

- Mr. Graham stated that Dragon Farms are concerned about the water. They could but do not want to tile the land. It is and off and on situation depending upon the weather from year to year.
- Ditching?
- The pipe under the road is an old pipe and has deteriorated over the years.
- Leave ditch east side of applicant? This won't solve the issue but also not aggravate it either.
- Moore's have a low spot in their back yard (resident east of applicant).
- It will be at least two months now before anyone can get on it because of the water.
- What about a berm?
- Could the cost be shared?

- What about cleaning the ditch and hedgerow?
- Ditch is the cheapest but there is a lot of ditching to do.
- Board will not dictate what to do in this situation.
- Mr. Wietler was asked about his time frame. He will be using it to store his own equipment and not anyone else's. The trailers are licensed.
- Mr. Wietler has contacted his lawyer and has been told by them that a special use permit is not required. That question will need to be answered by Mrs. Dale-Hall. Mr. Wietler is under the impression that Mrs. Dale-Hall that he was using it for a business and he is not.
- At this point Mr. Wietler will not build, move the shed and a fence around the lot but it will take time.
- If the application is withdrawn could he revisit the building permit in approximately a month giving the board time to talk with Mrs. Dale-Hall?

Mr. Wietler is officially withdrawing his application at this time.

Resolution 4-2019

Introduced by: Dr. Steve Harling
 Seconded by: Mr. Kurt Dudley

To accept Mr. Wietler's application withdrawal.

The Resolution was approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Miller to close the public hearing at 7:13 pm. Seconded by Mrs. Peglow and carried (7-0)

III. OLD BUSINESS

A letter from Mr. Mark was received regarding the proposed solar policy. Discussion took place:

- 350-115 anytime change because of solar?
 - The only time a change was made to a cell tower it was just a review.
 - Industrial size? It doesn't hurt to add it.
 - How wide is it/how far back?
 - Leave it as is.
 - Find out distance before changing
- 350-119 felt that there should be a penalty.
- Mrs. Preston to make changes and give to the Town Board.
- It was suggested that there should be a cover sheet attached.
- With the setbacks proposed it only gives 40 feet before hitting something cutting into anyone's reaction change. This is the time to make changes.

Resolution 5-2019

Introduced by: Mr. Kurt Dudley
Seconded by: Mr. Steve Harling

To make the setbacks 120 feet from the center of the road.

The resolution passed with a vote of 5 in favor, 1 against and 1 abstained.

Subdivision was tabled.

A reminder was given by Dr. Pogue about keeping training up to date.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A letter to Mr. Keeler and Mr. Miller was received with a request from EDR on VSR (visual sensitive resources) regarding the Heritage Wind project. It consisted of a 10 mile airline miles radius around the project. This letter was also sent to Clear Skies and town board members. Mr. Miller asked for an extension of time to be able to do our due diligence which was not granted. Mrs. Preston scanned the letter and sent it to the planning board members. Seven small cemeteries were not listed and was in the response back. Dr. Pogue's response was read bringing out the fact that our geography being flat, where would the turbines not be seen?

There has not been an application from Mr. Piscitelli. He apparently would like to make his temporary building a permanent structure. Does it need a modification for his special use permit, go to County besides the building permit?

V. COMMUNICATION

ORLEANS COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

At the March meeting:

- Carlton's request for amendment to zoning ordinance establishing a private airport by special use permit in RR, WR, WD and B districts was approved.
- Medina's request for a site plan review to convert existing building to Hostel in central business district was approved with conditions of applicant being granted for lack of parking and any signage is permissible and complies with zoning.
- Murray's request for amendment to zoning ordinance for regulation of special events at farms and wineries was denied.
- Yates request for rezoning at 10708 Millers Road from agricultural/residential to industrial was approved.
- Holley's request for zoning amendment clarifying dimensional requirements in all zoning districts was approved.

- FEMA flood mapping draft maps will be released. The public will have input. After 2 years they will become official. It may cause some residents to purchase flood insurance who were not previously required to purchase flood insurance.
- Thomas Lamp is a new staff member and we are encouraged to contact him with all planning matters.
- A staff email address has been established for faster turnaround times when sending and receiving materials for CPB referrals.
- May 29th will be the training at Hoag Library.

Mr. Keeler stated that Mrs. Tierney has obtained the agreement between the County and the town regarding referrals.

VI. ADJORNMENT

Mrs. Peglow made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 pm; seconded by Mr. Depatie and carried (7-0).

Lee A. Preston, Clerk