

**TOWN OF BARRE  
PLANNING BOARD  
FEBRUARY 21, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:34 PM

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Tom Keeler                      Wes Miller (by phone)  
Jean Depatie                    Kurt Dudley  
Stephen Harling                Kirk Mathes (by phone)  
Anna Shuknecht (Alt.)

**EXCUSED BOARD MEMBERS**

Jean Peglow  
Eric Watson (Alt.)

Others present: David Herring, James Keeler and Margaret Swan

**I.     APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. Dudley made a motion to approve the December 13, 2021 and January 24, 2022 regular meeting minutes as presented with no corrections. Motion was seconded by Mr. Harling and carried. (6-0)

**II.    OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Keeler handed the meeting over to Mr. Miller because of his connection to the application of Barre Stone Products and walked out of the room.

Mr. Miller stated that the board in regards to the application of Barre Stone Products

- Did not require a public hearing (Resolution 29-2021) because of the actual location on the property where the structure is going and part of it was planned many years ago.
- The SEQR has already been completed (Resolution 26-2021)
- The application was sent to the County Planning Board (Resolution 28-2021) in time for their January meeting and that meeting was cancelled. They also documented that they would not be pushing the application into the February meeting. Therefore, the decision on the application was left up to the Barre Planning Board.

Mrs. Preston then gave a synopsis of the application as requested from Mr. Miller. (Additional small electrical building of 10” x 10” or 10” x 12” and a second storage silo for asphalt. The silo will sit on the pre-existing pad. The pad was purposely made to handle two silos when the first silo was installed. A larger electrical building is needed to house the necessary electrical components.)

**Resolution 4-2022**

Introduced by: Steve Harling  
Seconded by: Kurt Dudley

**WHEREAS** the Planning Board has reviewed the application of Barre Stone Products of 14120 West Lee Road (94-1-27 & 94-1-23) for a modification of their Special Use Permit and Site Plan Review

**RESOLVED**, to approve the Site Plan and Special Use modification

**UPON ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Mr. Keeler – Abstained  
Mr. Miller – Aye (by phone)  
Mr. DePatie – Aye  
Mr. Dudley – Aye  
Mr. Harling – Aye  
Mr. Mathes – Aye (by phone)

The resolution passed.

Following the vote, Mr. Herring and Mr. J. Keeler left at 6:45 pm. Mrs. Preston went to notify Mr. T. Keeler that he could rejoin the meeting.

The Tiny Home discussion was put on hold until more information could be obtained or another town presents it.

**III. NEW BUSINESS**

The email address situation that came about was discussed. A board member (Planning and/or Zoning Board) did not wish to continue using their personal email. Mrs. Preston had talked to Dr. Pogue about it and it was decided to have a “common” addressed email for those that wished to not use their private email. Some did not want to have additional emails. It was not a mandatory change but a suggested change. One suggested that the town should set it up for everyone then when a person left, the next person would take over that email.

The yearly training requirement was discussed. The 2022 Municipal Bootcamp Program hosted by Hancock Estabrook & MRB Group on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month by zoom was mentioned. Mrs. Preston will send the information out to Mrs. Shuknecht and the rest of the board.

Mr. Keeler wanted to bring Mrs. Shuknecht up to speed with what we have done in the past and what may be coming:

- 2020 – Solar zoning
- 2021 – Battery Energy Storage zoning
- Wind and Solar projects, based on size, may be the planning board or be the town boards decision
- Heritage Wind Project
- Small Solar Project on Rt. 98 (AES Baird) (AES discovered a ditch situation from the 1800's and was brought to the attention of the town board)
- Large Scale Solar Project (Hemlock Ridge Solar formally called Orleans Solar)
- Process of the Orleans County Planning Board referrals and what needs or does not need to go
- Home businesses
- Possible zoning for food trucks and temporary housing
- Application received for an auto repair at the old logging location. There has been no update on this however.

#### **IV. COMMUNICATION**

##### **ORLEANS COUNTY PLANNING BOARD**

The December 2021 and the January 2022 meetings were cancelled. There will be a February meeting.

#### **V. ADJORNMENT**

Mr. Depatie made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 pm; seconded by Mr. Harling and carried (6-0).

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Lee A. Preston, Clerk