Planning Board- Meeting Minutes

Town of Wales

10/16/2023 6:00 PM

Meeting Location: Wales Senior Center

<u>Present:</u> Jason Oney (**Jason O.**) Board Member/Chair, Sarah Ryan (**Sarah R.**) – Board Member/Clerk,, Danelle LaFlower (**Danelle L**.) – Board Member (attended virtually)

<u>Absent Members:</u> Melanie Oney-*Board Member*

Public Attendance:

Jason O. opens the public meeting at 6:02 pm.

New Business:

<u>Review Section 7.10 Large Scale Ground Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation – Discussion of application submission</u>

An application for a special permit and site plan review was submitted on October 2, 2023, from WSP (engineering firm) on behalf of Sunpin Energy Services, LLC. The board reviews the maps provided. There are two main areas of concern for the board. 40 Sizer Dr. is currently in Chapter 61. The board will obtain more information about how this affects this project. Another area of concern is according to the plans submitted, at the end of Sizer Dr., within the project layout is a "ROW" that is believed to be town property. This is something that was brought to the Planning Board's attention when Sunpin Solar had previously applied with the Planning Board in 2018/2019. The board will need to speak with the assessor about the above concerns.

Old Business:

**Agenda Item: Review Minutes 9/18/23

Motion 101623-01 made by Danelle L. to accept the minutes from 9/18/23 minutes as written, Seconded by Sarah R. No discussion, all in favor.

Roll Call: Jason Oney- Yes

Sarah L. Ryan- Yes
Danelle LaFlower Yes

Melanie Oney Not Present

Other Business:

The board discussed the need to have an on-call engineering service for larger projects that come before the planning board. A "Request for Quotes" will be drafted by the board and sent to various engineering firms. The RFP will be seeking quotes from qualified registered professional engineers to provide reviewing services for the Town of Wales, Planning Board. The board will utilize the selected firm for the current project on Sizer Dr.

The Planning Boards next meeting will be November 20, 2023, at the Wales Senior Center at 6pm. The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 pm.