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**Town of Westerlo
Zoning Board of Appeals
Westerlo, NY
ZBA Meeting**

Minutes of Date: April 26, 2021 Location: via Zoom
Board Members, Chairperson Jill Henck, James Gallogly, Guy Weidman
Town Attorney: Javid Afzali- not present
Zoning Administrator: Jeff Pine- not present
ZBA members present: Jill Henck, James Gallogly, Guy Weidman
Non Members present: Charity Hempstead, Jennifer Kovac, Sean Leary, call in neighbors of the Hempsteads.

Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:02PM, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jill made a motion to approve the March 2021 minutes, with an amendment to add that Jeff Pine wasn't present, Jim second the motion. Motion carried by those present.

No old business

Hempstead Variance, can be used as an area variance after Jill reviewed what an area variance was. Jim made a motion to open the variance application, Guy second the motion. All were in favor.

Jim made a motion to open the public comment, Guy second it, all were in favor.

The neighbors of the Hempsteads called in during public comment to show their objection. They are concerned about the trailer being too close to their home, the dirt bikes and tracks, and the property value of their home. They are also concerned about the septic.

Mrs. Hempstead apologized about the issues in the past. Mrs. Hempstead also said that the trailer would be going on to a different part of the property.

Jill talked about the differences between what the process is for the ZBA approvals and neighborly differences.

Jill did address the issue of the septic with Mrs. Hempstead. The other neighbors around the Hempstead property didn't bring up any issues, according to Mrs.

Hempstead.

James made a motion to deny the application. Jill made a motion not to deny it, as did Guy. The vote was 2:1 not to deny the application.

Leary application. This is going to be the second building on the property. Has the 25 ft set back variance. Guy brought up that there was already a second driveway on the property.

Jill motioned to open for public comment, Jim second it. All were in favor. No public comments. Jill motioned to close public comments, Jim second the motion. All were in favor.

Jim made a motion to accept the variance application. Jill second the motion. All were in favor.

Prince application. Jill spoke with Dotty. The decision would be conditional on the Planning Board decision.

Jill made a motion to open for public discussion, Guy second it. All were in favor. There was no public comment. Jill made a motion to close, Guy second, all were in favor.

Guy made a motion to accept the decision, Jill second the motion, all were in favor.

No new business

Trainings for the board were discussed.

No public comments.

Jill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 PM, Guy second the motion, all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Britta Biggs
Zoning Board Clerk

