

**Town of Westerlo  
Planning Board  
Westerlo, NY 12193  
Planning Board Meeting**

Minutes

Date: January 11, 2022

Location: Westerlo Town Hall

Board Members: Chairman Beau Loendorf, Richard Kurylo, Edwin Stevens, Gerard Boone, William Hall

Town Attorney: George McHugh

Code Enforcement/ Zoning Enforcement: Jeff Pine (not present)

Deputy Town Supervisor: Matt Kryzak (not present)

Non Planning Board members present: Planning Board Clerk Britta Biggs, six interested residents.

Meeting opened at 7:01 PM with Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Planning Board Member Stevens made a motion to approve the Minutes at 7:02 for the November 9, 2021, meeting. Mr. Kurylo seconded; Mr. Boone and Mr. Stevens were in favor. Mr. Hall abstained since he was not on the Board for the Nov. 9 meeting.

**AYES:4   NAYS: 0   ABSTAIN: 1**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**CARKNER SPECIAL USE PERMIT (SPU 21-3)**

Mrs. Cranker submitted a PowerPoint to the Planning Board detailing the property and her event ideas. The Board indicated that when they have all the proper documentation and information that they will look at the PowerPoint. Mrs. Carkner still needs an adequate parking entrance, and stable entrance for emergency vehicle access. A proper site plan is required to be done for the Albany County Planning Board and Westerlo Planning Board. There are still pending SEQRs for NYS DOT, DEC and Albany County Planning Board. The Board did discuss with Mrs. Carkner about needed to have the property surveyed again. Discussion about who is responsible for trash removal was brought up in discussion. It was indicated that the Caterers would be responsible for bringing out all trash created during that particular event. Neighbors continue to express their concerns about noise, pollution, possible accidents along the stretch of 404 that the venue site is on and as well as people getting lost in the wooded areas near the venue. They are concerned about intoxicated people wandering into their yards. The Board

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indicated again to the neighbors about the restrictions and the requirements that they can put into the plans once they are able to move on with the site plans and approvals from the proper government agencies. There is still no Public Hearing scheduled at this time.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Neighbors continued to express their concerns about the proposed venue. One neighbor is questioning about noise. It was indicated that the Town of Westerlo does not have a noise ordinance, but that an engineer can put up a noise monitor to measure how loud things will be. Another neighbor questioned whether or not that is Mrs. Carkner was going to use the Town Engineer, if that would be a conflict of interest. The Board as well as the Town Attorney stated that the decision for that is based on what the Board think.

#### **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

Planning Board Kurylo motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 PM. Mr. Hall seconded; all were in favor.

**AYES:5   NAYS:0**