

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD
VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman Joe Fazzary at 7:02pm. Present were Acting Chairman Joe Fazzary and Board Members Brian Eslinger, Tom Fitzgerald and Jim Adesso. Also present were Code Enforcement Officer Gregory Larnard and Recording Secretary Rhonda Slater. Absent were Chairman Chris Bond and Recording Secretary Donna J Beardsley. There were five others in attendance.

Public Hearing: Watkins Glen Wine & Spirits

Robert Kuhl was present to discuss his request for construction of a three story addition on the back of his building for storage and apartments. There would also be an alcove for a dumpster enclosure. The public hearing was opened at 7:02pm with a motion by Jim Adesso and seconded by Tom Fitzgerald. All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

There were no comments from the audience. Joseph Fazzary stated that the SEQR is in and the approval from the County has also been received. The public hearing was left open.

Continuation of Preliminary Site Plan Review – Franklin Plaza Parking Lot Upgrades

Mr. Shaw stated that everything has been submitted to the Board via email regarding the designs for the dumpster enclosure for his property on Franklin Street. His proposal is for chain link fencing. Discussion ensued. A compromise was submitted to Mr. Shaw for his review that would incorporate his chain link fencing, but would include the addition of a planter in front of said enclosure. Preliminary approval was given provided the project matches the proposed concept design.

Closing of Public Hearing: Watkins Glen Wine & Spirits

Jim Adesso closed the public hearing at 7:41pm. Brian Eslinger seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Final site plan approval was given for the Watkins Glen Wine & Spirits plan with a motion by Tom Fitzgerald and a second by Brian Eslinger. The members voted in favor. Motion Carried.

Continuation of Preliminary Site Plan Review – 135 Corning Road Project

Nathan Caplan, owner of GLT Enterprises, was present to address the Board regarding changes to their project plans due to updated information on the zoning district of their property being R3 and not R2 and the finding of natural water springs on the property. The new proposed single building will have five two-story units. The Board discussed the possible need to restart the process because of the concept changes, however the Board felt that the changes created a better site plan that addresses the prior concerns in a positive manner and were not a substantial change. Tom Fitzgerald made the motion to declare the new plans as having insignificant changes. Brian Eslinger seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Brian Eslinger made the motion to approve the final site plan review. Tom Fitzgerald seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Minutes – December 16, 2015

Jim Adesso made the motion to approve the minutes for the December 16, 2015 meeting. Tom Fitzgerald seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Jim Adesso made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:07pm. Tom Fitzgerald seconded the motion. The Board voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda E Slater