

Minutes of the Sandy Creek Regional Planning Board

Wednesday, June 1, 2022

Sandy Creek Town Hall

Members present: Larry Rice, Frank Dixon, Bill Joyce, Richard Machemer, Pat Machemer, Sybil Cummins and Shirley Rice.

Chair Larry Rice called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Frank Dixon made a motion to accept the minutes of 5/4/22 as presented, seconded by Pat Machemer. All voted in the affirmative and the motion was passed.

Correspondence included a list of Parks and Campgrounds in the town and the minutes of the Town Board meeting dated 3/23/22. Also, a bill for \$100.00 from the Village attorney was sent to the Village office for payment concerning the review of the proposed language for the Moratorium.

Bill Joyce gave the Treasurer's report noting that the only expenditures were for salaries of \$92.35 per board member and \$438.66 for Bill Joyce and EFTPS of \$164.48 for the past month. The account holds a balance of \$10,564.34. A note from Megan Sprague states "carried over \$11,721.58 from last fiscal year ('21-'22)." Neither Bill nor the board understand what the note means and Bill will contact Megan for an explanation.

A brief discussion followed concerning the apparent temporary stage set up at the Pond Pit Bar-B-Q. At one point they had contacted John Howland about building a stage. Bill had spoken with the owner who confirmed that this was the case. Bill informed the owner that they would need to do an amended site plan application. The temporary stage appears to be 2 flatbed trailers side by side with a railing around them. The Board's concern has mostly to do with parking for large crowds. Bill will refer this to John Howland.

A discussion followed concerning the proposed moratorium for solar farms in the Village of Sandy Creek. Bill stated that he had submitted a 239 Review application to the County Planning Board. The County sent a letter stating that the proposed moratorium met with their approval. Subsequently, Bill asked the County a question concerning the inclusion of a "Shall" statement in the prospective revised Village Solar law referring to the burial of all transmission lines from a utility scale project. The answer was that they recommend speaking with the Village attorney about the legality of such a proposal. Bill will look into this during the revision process. The Village Board has canceled the June meeting, so any further work on the Moratorium will be advanced to the July meeting.

With no further business before the Board, a motion was made by Pat Machemer and seconded by Sybil Cummins to adjourn. The motion was passed by unanimous vote and the Board adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Recording Secretary - Sybil Cummins