

TOWN OF COEYMANS ZONING BOARD MEETING

May 22, 2019

Attendees

Members Present: Mr. Schmitt, Mr. Harris
Members Absent: Mr. Powell, Ms. Hopkins, Mr. Porlier
Also Present: Mr. Cashin; Mr. Pastore; Ms. Ziegler
Public Present: See attached list

Call to Order

There was no quorum; no official business will be discussed at tonight's meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for April 24, 2019 will be presented for approval at the next meeting.

Report of the Building Inspector - None

Old Business

Discussion of Albany County Planning Board's advisory recommendations from April 18, 2019 wherein they said "All future referral applications for an area and/or use variance, subdivision review, special use permit, and/or site plan review are required to include an official drawing or rendering of the proposed site and action required by a licensed architect, engineer or land surveyor. Absence of such could result in an automatic disapproval without prejudice."

At the Zoning Board meeting on April 15, 2019 Mr. Schmitt stated that he would be attending the Albany County Planning Board on May 13, 2019. He did attend the meeting and was able to speak to the ACPB regarding their advisory recommendations. ACPB members explained their reasoning – they are tired of receiving applications where the maps/drawings are "on bar napkins".

The issue with our board is that if John Smith comes before them and he needs an area variance and we can make determination based upon information we have, the board should be able to do that. If we are going to require certified plans/engineer stamped plans the cost to the applicant is not cost effective.

Board should always proceed on a case by case basis; if there are some crazy things within the site (e.g. pond or issues with property lines), then make the applicant understand that the ACPB has set this and that the applicant should provide the best detailed drawing they can get.

In the worse case scenario if ACPB disapproves without prejudice, the Zoning Board can decide what they want to do.

Adjournment

Mr. Schmitt made motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Harris.