TOWN OF AMITY PLANNING BOARD Meeting Report 2-15-18

The regular order of the meeting was suspended due to lack of quorum; however those present discussed, but did not vote on, items on the agenda.

Members present: Wendy Skinner, Doug Serra; Town Board Liason: Barb Zlomek;

Members absent: John Clouse;

Members excused: John Maynard, Paula VanDyke

Approval of minutes: will be voted on at next meeting

Town Board Liason report:

Report on Proposed Consortium – Phil Stockin presented a proposal to town board inviting the municipality to join a consortium with several other municipalities sharing services for building inspector / code enforcement. The cost to join is an annual fee of \$5 per parcel; for Amity that would be approximately \$7300 for 1460 parcels; all fees collected by the consortium will be used for consortium operating expenses; the town will receive no remuneration; the proposal will be considered closely at such time as there is no available building inspector for the town of Amity. W. Skinner asked if these shared services also provided for Land Use Officers and Zoning Board Enforcement, or if they were separate entities/issues.

<u>Update on water district project</u> – the MOU between the town and the village was not signed by the village; they are requesting some additional changes;

<u>Terms of planning board members</u> – a summary of planning board members and their respective terms was presented to the town board; the town board passed a resolution to appoint W. Skinner to a five year term on the planning board, from 1-1-18 through December 31, 2022.

<u>Spectrum</u> contract for internet/cable access was renewed for the town, village, GVCS school site, and BOCES.

<u>Advertising for positions</u> on the Assessment Review Board and the planning board (members and alternate members) was approved for publication.

<u>DEC</u> has notified the town that they will be inspecting former landfill (dump)sites in Amity at the Belvidere Rd. and Transit Hill Rd.

Other Business: Payroll documents for planning board members need to be reviewed/completed with town bookkeeper.

<u>Vouchers</u> for tonight's meeting need to be completed, signed, and submitted to bookkeeper.

Comprehensive Plan Review – comments through page 12: Demographics and census statistics need to be reviewed and/or updated Education resources (p. 12) should be updated to include non-traditional venues such as Literacy West / CORE Learning Center; GED programs; Traveling Teacher programs; ACCORD Business Training Center

<u>Land Use Law Review</u> – a list of additional personnel needed for appeals processes, as well as the forms and processes for these appeals need to be spelled out; will these Board of Appeals members be paid for their service?

W. Skinner queried if all planning board members had a copy of the final draft of the Land Use Law; copies of the law, plus the Comprehensive Plan will be created and put in binders for each members use and review.

Next Meeting: March 15, 2018 @ 7PM at Town Hall

Wendy J. Skinner