

TOWN OF THERESA PLANNING BOARD
Public Hearing and Regular Meeting
June 5, 2014

Members present: Pat Williams, Al O'Driscoll, Bill Mattingly, Rick Nuijens, and Janet Ainsworth.

Absent: Tom Hood

Guests present: Mark Scarlett, Ryan Churchill, Robert Busler, Alan Whitcomb, Dave Champagne, and Ed Robertson.

1. The public hearing for a minor subdivision of property owned by Kenneth Boyd, of tax map parcel no. 8.00-1-22.1 located on a Cottage Hill Road and Burns Road in the Town of Theresa, was opened at 7:02pm. No one appeared for or against. The public hearing was closed at 7:06pm. A motion was made by Bill Mattingly and seconded by Rick Nuijens to approve the application. All members present voted unanimously in favor thereof.
2. The public hearing for a minor subdivision of property owned by Jan Martusewicz, of tax map parcel no. 16.00-2-32.1 located on Honey Hill Road in the Town of Theresa, was opened at 7:12 p.m. No one appeared for or against. The public hearing was closed at 7:13 p.m. A motion was made by Rick Nuijens to approve Lot 1 (a 50 acre parcel), and to approve Lot 2 pending completion of the survey by LaFave, White & McGivern. Al O'Driscoll seconded the motion, with all members present voted unanimously in favor thereof.
3. The public hearing for a minor subdivision of property owned by the Estate of Robert Hicks (Allen Hicks, Executor), of tax map parcel no. 45.09-1-27.1 located on NYS Route 37 and Dutch Settlement Road in the Town of Theresa, was tabled at the request of Mr. Hicks. The public hearing will be held at next month's meeting on July 3, 2014.
4. The public hearing for a minor subdivision of property owned by Alan Whitcomb of tax map parcel no. 22.00-2-32.23 located on Hyde Lake Road and Fredericks Road in the Town of Theresa, was opened at 7:15pm. Mr. Whitcomb appeared on his behalf, and no one appeared against. The public hearing was closed at 7:16pm. A motion was made by Bill Mattingly and seconded by Al O'Driscoll to approve the application. All members present voted unanimously in favor thereof.
5. The public hearing for a Special Use Permit by the Indian River Lakes Conservancy to build handicapped accessible trails, including parking, on Boyd Pond in the Town of Theresa, was opened at 7:20pm. Ryan Churchill, Ed Robertson, and Mark Scarlett appeared on behalf of the Indian River Lakes Conservancy, while no one appeared against. The public hearing was closed at 7:23pm. A letter received by the Jefferson County Planning stated no further action is required by them. **Discussion was had concerning the fact that the property is located in the CAR district which permits public use. The Board was unanimous in its decision that this was of no consequence and would not set a precedent. The issue was raised by the Jefferson County Planning Board because the word "recreational" was not listed, and left the decision up to the Theresa Town Planning Board.** A motion was made by Bill Mattingly, and seconded by Al O'Driscoll to approve the application, with all members present voting in favor thereof.

The Indian River Lakes Conservancy has applied for state funding for this project which requires approval from the Theresa Planning Board, approval from the Theresa Town Board, approval of the State Environmental Quality Review process, and completion of a Short Environmental Assessment form. A motion was made by Rick Nuijens to complete the form and recommend approval to the Theresa Town Board. Motion was seconded by Al O'Driscoll, with all members present voting in favor thereof.

New Business:

1. **VanTassel, Charles** - regarding a minor subdivision of tax map parcel no. 23.00-1-21.5 located on English Settlement Road in the Town of Theresa.

A motion was made by Rick Nuijens, seconded by Bill Mattingly to accept the application for a public hearing on July 3, 2014. All other members present voted unanimously in favor thereof.

The approved minutes from the Theresa Planning Board will be posted on the Town's website. Residents are urged to check the website for further information concerning the water ordinance and for any other planning board news. As a result of the Informational Meeting held on May 21, 2014, the Theresa Town Supervisor recommends that approved minutes from the Theresa Planning Board be posted on the Town's website. Implementing a system to publish information on the website and contacting residents via email regarding the topic of lake/river water quality is being worked out. The Planning Board is looking to acquire a list of what lakes in the Town of Theresa have a Lake Association. The Board is trying to acquire the slideshow shown by Scott Kishbaugh the DEC speaker at the informational meeting on May 21st, to have it posted to the Town website.

A motion was made by Rick Nuijens to approve the minutes from the May 1, 2014 meeting. The motion was seconded by Al O'Driscoll and unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Ainsworth, Secretary, Theresa Planning Board