

EDMESTON PLANNING BOARD
EDMESTON, NY 13335
REGULAR MEETING
February 18, 2004

Members Present:

Planning Board Chairman: Jack Emmett
Planning Board Member: Jon LeChevet
Planning Board Member: John Parker
Planning Board Member: Paul Pritchard
Planning Board Member: William Rogers

Others Present:

Russell Dutcher (Town Board Chairman),
Kelly Bruni

Chairman Emmett called the meeting to order at 19:03 with the pledge of allegiance.

Chairman Emmet reported on research he had conducted concerning the cost of removing junk vehicles and mobile homes. He had located local dealers that would tow away junk vehicles for free and only charge \$15 if a flatbed had to be used. Otsego Auto Crushers in Oneonta were currently paying \$45 per ton for vehicles delivered to their yard. He had also located a person who would dismantle and haul away a junked mobile home for \$350 - \$250 if the owner provided a dumpster for the unusable parts. All present agreed that this information should be available to town residents, perhaps through the Edmeston web page. Mr. Deutcher was asked if the Town could advertise the availability of the automobile/house trailer removal options. Mr. Deutcher advised that Chairman Emmett should bring the subject up at the next Town Board meeting.

Discussion turned next to the draft Edmeston Junkyard Law. which was discussed at the last Town Board meeting. Mr. Deutcher reported that the sense of the Board was to put off any further work by the Planning Board until the Town Board had reviewed the progress to date.

Motion: [Jon LeChevet, second by John Parker]

“The Planning Board should forward Draft #4 of the Edmeston Junk Yard Law to the Town Board for comment and guidance to be sent back at their earliest convenience.”

Motion carried by a majority vote of the Board.

The discussion next turned to the topic of the sewerage situation in South Edmeston. Chairman Emmet reported that sewerage was found in a storm drain in South Edmeston two years ago and that DEC had applied for a grant to test the sewerage discharge in several homes in South Edmeston to see if sewerage was being discharged into storm drains or the river. The grant had moved forward and was now #1 on the list for funding.

There was further discussion on how to fund any corrective action if a problem was found and HUD seemed to be the most likely avenue.

Mr. Deutcher asked the Planning Board to review the Zoning Ordinance concerning the parking of campers and trailers in the Hamlets over the winter and sub standard lots. Mr. Deutcher asked the Planning Board to determine if parking a camper/trailer in a Hamlet was a non-permitted use, and if so, to consider a revision to allow the parking of unoccupied campers/trailers in Hamlets for a limited period of time. He next asked that the Planning Board to review the Zoning Ordinance concerning sub standard lots and determine if the Ordinance allows anyone owning a lot of less than 2 acres in size that was "grandfathered" under the 1974 provision to build on the lot. Does this exception apply only to the original owner or to anyone purchasing the lot after 1974? If the wording in the Ordinance does apply to anyone purchasing a sub standard lot after 1974, then the Planning Board should consider revising the Ordinance to apply only to the original owner of the sub standard lot.

The minutes of the meeting of 21 January 2004 were read and approved without change.

The next meeting was set for the 17th of March 2004 at 19:00 at the Municipal Building. There being no further business to discuss and all public participants and board members being heard, the meeting was adjourned at 20:42.