

Town Of Edmeston
Municipal Building
Edmeston, NY 13335
Zoning Board of Appeals
Minutes

Jan 16

Board Members Present:

Jamison Hoyt, Sue Holbert, Tom Madden

Guests:

Alice Quentin

Sylvia Cheesborough

Rusty Dutcher

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. which was followed by the pledge.

Guests: Rusty Dutcher made a suggestion to the ZBA that it might be a good idea to talk to/meet with the town's lawyer to answer any potential legal questions before addressing Robin's application for a use variance.

New Member: We had a new member to our board, Gene Nower

Gene had many questions in regard to what our board is responsible for. He has requested a copy of the town's zoning ordinance. He was notified of our meetings time and place as well as the function which we fulfill here.

Business: There was little discussion in relation to Robin's application for a use variance, as the board unanimously decided, to wait to speak with the town's lawyer before making a decision.

Please note: for a timely response and out of respect for those involved: I spoke with the town lawyer via telephone. His advisement was that the town legally didn't stand in a position to grant the use variance because of the very specific criteria set by NYS. He also advised that if it holds public favor to explore options such as simply amending the law to accommodate him. That way everyone's backside is covered!

Also Please Note: Robin has sense withdrawn his application for a use variance. I responded that we had received his official withdrawal. I dropped off copies of our correspondence for public record to Linda last week. In the meantime, much should be discussed/done to address this issue both specifically in Robin's case, and for any future interests. Alice Quentin has also approached me sense, with a request to review proposed changes to the local zoning ordinance and give any feedback I might have. As of this morning she has supplied me with a hard copy of this – which I have yet to comb through.

Chris and Emily Shafer officially withdrew their application for an area variance.

With no further business a motion was made by Jamison to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Sue Holbert.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.