

PLANNING BOARD

APRIL 9, 2015

AGENDA

1. Approve/amend minutes from the March 12, 2015 meeting.
2. Amendment on application SP-69 John Blish would like to add a firewood kiln to his site plan.
3. Application BLA-268 Robert Balcom would like to convey .62 acres to Brian Balcom on 720 Bull Run Road in Margaretville. Tax map # 's 284-1-64.11 and 284-1-61.12.
4. Anything else to come before the meeting.

The Town of Middletown Planning Board held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall, 42339 State Highway 28, Margaretville.

Board Members present:

Vice Chairman-----Len Utter

Other members-----John Nolan, Kate VanBenschoten and Joyce Gray

Others present: Phyllis Whitehouse Frome (alternate member), John Blish and Patrick Davis

Vice Chairman Utter called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Joyce Gray made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 2015 meeting. John Nolan seconded motion. Motion carried.

Amendment on application SP-69 John Blish would like to add a firewood kiln to his site plan. The board asked the size of the structure is? The structure will be 29' x 8'6"x11'6". How high does the temperature go? The maximum will be 220 degrees. Is there any scent or odor? John Blish was not sure but he would guess not much. How long does it take to dry a load? It will take 90 hours or so depending on the wood. John Nolan made a motion to approve this amendment with the condition that if there are odor complaints he may have to install a chimney. Kate VanBenschoten seconded motion. Motion carried.

Application BLA-268 Robert Balcom would like to convey .62 acres to Brian Balcom on 720 Bull Run Road in Margaretville. John Nolan made a motion to approve this application as presented. Joyce Gray seconded motion. Motion carried.

Per the discussion last month regarding conservation easements, Kate VanBenschoten noted that the Town of Hamden requires Planning Board approval for conservation easements, there was some discussion on the benefits vs detriments of such a review. It was noted that Planning Boards will be more familiar with related issues that can harm individual taxpayers as well as town as a whole and possibly help or advise landowners during the process.

Kate VanBenschoten made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm. John Nolan seconded motion. Motion carried.

