

Town of Milton Planning Board February 11, 2009

Attendance: John Frolish, Benny Zlotnick, Ron Lacey, Larry Woolbright, John Whittel, Keith Leal (Chair), Wayne Howe (Zoning Official), Martin Pozefsky (Attorney), Garry Robinson (Town Engineer), Frank Blaisdell (Town Board), Sue Talmadge (Secretary). Jim Staulters was excused absent.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge to the Flag.

Lacey made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of Dec. 2008. Zlotnick made a second. All members voted in favor.

Route 50 & Northline Road – Special Permit and Site Plan

Jim Miller, representative, summarized.

JM - Village Water letter requesting service has been received by the Village engineering firm and they agree there is capacity for service. The Village has to grant final approval at their next meeting.

MM- Ted Serbalik from the county DOT has asked for a pre-construction meeting prior to the start of the Right of Way work.

JM- DOT packet has been received by the state and the driveway has been approved.

JM- DOT – Kevin Novak – contact – does not look at signage and cross walks as part of their review. They would look for a request from the Town Board for review on the corridor – a note has been added to the plan the this property would give complete cooperation with any future study.

Robinson explained the revised SW Pollution Plan maint. section has been expanded. The NOI permit has been attached. The SWM easement is for the entire site.

JM- Minor revisions were changes to architectural elevations – the front roof was extended to cover the sidewalk in front, the side elevation more closely resembles the front and the drive through was revised. Building mounted signs are also planned.

JM- All sheets were updated as per past meetings and notes have been added.

JM- A sign detail has been added.

Leal asked for board comments.

Woolbright indicated the note on the plan takes care of his concerns regarding the markings, however, he has information to pass on to the applicant – he had contacted Eric Ophart at DOT regarding the Bicycle and Pedestrian Route and Route 50 is a confirmed NYS Route. His office would review curb cuts and signage.

Miller agreed to contact him.

Robinson indicated the SWM final plan has been agreed to and access to the entire site has been given.

Pozefsky confirmed a Schedule A has been done.

Howe explained there is no bond amount required because of the easement.

Robinson explained there is no work in the town right of way – the county may ask for their own.

Woolbright indicated 3 of the plantings are invasive type.

Miller agreed to take them off the plan and upon Lacey's suggestion would use a crabapple or similar.

There were no other comments.

Zlotnick made a negative SEQR motion. Whittle made a second. All members voted in favor.

Whittel made a motion to approve the Special Permit and Site Plan Application for Route 50 Convenience Center and Special Permit for project plans dated Jan. 27, 2009, elevations dated 1/27/2009, highway and CME drawings dated Jan. 2009 subject to the following conditions:

1. Final permit from Saratoga County sewer district.
2. Permit from Village of Ballston Spa for water connection.
3. Final approval from Saratoga County for work in the public right of way.
4. Final approval from DOT for site access and road improvements.
5. SWM access agreement acceptable to town engineer and town attorney.
6. Color scheme of building materials acceptable to Planning Chairman.
7. Plantings not to be on the NYS invasive species list.
8. Maintain existing property owner curb cuts to the east.

Frolish made a second to the motion.

Vote: Frolish – Yes., Zlotnick – No., Lacey – prior to vote asked question re: Vet Clinic easement – Applicant explained the Vet Clinic has a continuing easement. Robinson explained both lines are going to be relocated. Both are the same language. Lacey voted Yes to the motion, Woolbright – Yes., Whittel – Yes., Leal – prior to vote thanked everybody for their involvement – public, board and applicant – it was a difficult parcel and a long time – believe this project will work Vote – Yes.

Public comment period.

Mr. Hull of Saratoga Avenue addressed the board.

Leal indicated he would like to implement some ideas that came from the county planning sessions. Would like to look at a time limit for public hearings. Although no public comment is mandatory, it is good to have public input. Follow up with a letter if they run out of time.

Public comment after the meeting would still be allowed.

The town board proposed Rule of Procedure will be reviewed by the board for future discussion.

Public hearing will require a sign-in sheet in future.

In other business. The village of Ballston Spa has asked for Lead Agency status for a minor two lot subdivision that has land that is partially in the Town. After discussion the board agreed to their request.

Motion to adjourn by Lacey, 2nd by Frolish. All were in favor.