

Meeting Minutes
Zoning Commission – Town of Hector
April 23, 2018

PRESENT: Linda Tikofsky, Larry Jaynes, Marty Conwell, Charlie Stevenson, Paul Bursic, Kara Cusolito. Peggy Scott, Lori Welliver

NOT PRESENT: Mike Bergen, David LaMoreaux

PUBLIC PRESENT: Ralph Ward

OTHERS PRESENT: none

LOCATION: Hector Town Hall

1)..CALL TO ORDER: P.Bursic at 7:03pm

2) PREVIOUS MINUTES: motion to approve by L. Jaynes, seconded by L.Tokofsky
motion passed: Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Abstain: 1

3) Public Comment: none

4) Review, comment and decide action on the Southern Tier Central Regional Planning and Development Board (STC) proposal

P. Bursic stated: The revised proposal from STC contains an initial public meeting. We will need to determine where to hold this initial public meeting. This new proposal is now 14 months to completion, contains (4) public meetings (after the 1st initial public introduction meeting) and carries a cost of \$7500

C. Stevenson stated: maybe the Zoning Commission could hold extra public meetings in addition to the (5) STC public meetings. Also, the Zoning Commission might want to continue to meet twice per month and possibly use one of the monthly meetings to review STC's progress

A general conversation about where to hold STC's initial public meeting was discussed amongst the Zoning Commission. No definitive location was established.

P.Scott stated: she doesn't feel that there will be "large" turnout of people

C. Stevenson stated: we are going to lose a lot of people from attending if we have the meeting in Watkins Glen. In addition, he has heard from people who feel it doesn't matter whether or not they express their opinions.

L. Jaynes stated: he has talked with several people with varying opinions regarding zoning

P.Scott stated: it's important for public to speak their opinions at the meetings

C. Stevenson stated: there are "laws" already on the books in Hector that are not being followed or enforced

P.Bursic passed around a copy of a recent Town of Ulysses Consulting Agreement that depicted exorbitant costs compared to the costs in the STC's Hector proposal. He felt it was an interesting comparison as Ulysses and Hector share similarities.

P.Bursic presented the following recommendation:

The Zoning Commission of the Town of Hector recommends to the Town Council acceptance of the Southern Tier Central Planning and Development Board of Corning, NY(STC) as the primary consultant to the Commission. In order to fulfill the mission of the Zoning Commission in a timely and professional manner, the Commission urges the Town Council to approve the revised

consulting proposal submitted to the Commission on April 16, 2018. A copy of the proposal accompanies this recommendation.

motion by L. Jaynes, seconded by C. Stevenson

motion passed: Yeas: 8 Nays: 0

5) Communication updates: none

6) Synthesis of the review of the Comprehensive Plan

P.Bursic stated: important to realize that we have ALL read the Comprehensive Plan

7) New Business: none

8) Miscellaneous Items:

C.Stevenson stated that at a recent Schuyler County Environmental Management Council (EMC) meeting, there were discussions that the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is increasing it's focus on the quality of water in Seneca Lake with concentrated efforts toward the water runoffs into the Lake from wineries etc.

9) Adjourn: motion to adjourn by L.Jaynes, seconded by L.Welliver at 7:58pm

NEXT MEETING: Monday, May 14,2018 7pm