

Planning Board of the Town of Mexico
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Held April 5, 2021

Via Zoom commencing at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Nancy Weber, Chairman
Steve Salatti, Board Member
Gary Toth, Board Member
Bonnie Loforte, Board Member

Absent: Rebekah Prosachik, Attorney
Ron Marsden, CEO
And 2 in the audience

Chairman Weber opened the meeting at 7:00 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Board Member Toth and seconded by Board Member Loforte to approve the minutes of March 1, 2021. The motion was unanimously adopted by a vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays.

Old business:

Rosato Special Permit

Weber said the Department of Health want Rosato to have a septic tank. The DEC had said they would do an inspection. Rosato hired an attorney and a biologist. The biologist walked the property, the wet lands are 600 feet from the barn. Weber said everything is on hold until we receive an approval letter from DEC. Rosato said he won't spend the money to install the septic until he gets approval from DEC. Weber said after DEC and DOH give the go ahead the planning board will hear the application, most likely on May 3rd, then pass it onto the ZBA.

Salatti asked who was designing the H gives a list of approved engineers and you must use one of them. Weber said that ensures that the design will meet with there approval. Rosato asked if he could have two locations for the septic. Weber said he has to have the septic that he plans to use on the site plan. Weber asked when he would be having the perk test done. Rosato said the secondary site is where it would be located if DEC doesn't approve the first site. Waterbury asked about the drinking water. Rosato said the water has to be tested but the cost is \$600. He wants to wait until he gets the approval from DEC. Waterbury said DEC is step one. Rosato said he understands that he could get approval contingent upon the approval of all agencies. Loforte said she has had dealing with both DEC and DOH, they are very helpful and have a great list of engineers. Toth said if get the approval from DEC will he know where the septic is going to be located.

Weber said we are on the clock. Dishaw said the countdown doesn't start until the close of the public hearing. He could enlarge the parking lot in 5 years but would have to come back to the boards. He can do smaller but not larger. Waterbury asked how the change in the site plan would affect the public hearing. It won't. Toth asked if the site plan is changed would he have to go to the ZBA, planning board, then back to the ZBA. Weber said the planning board is the only board that reviews the site plan. Rosato said he doesn't need a new well but a water

treatment plan. His well pumps 8 gallons. Weber asked how often the water would need to be tested. Weber said the location of the well isn't a concern.

Rosato asked if he could change the address from 108 Valley Road to 102-108 Valley road for insurance purposes. Weber said she would correct the application.

Miller Application.

Weber said Harvey Miller has a map of the property. Waterbury said Marsden told him Miller paid the fees but he has the maps but not the application.

Weber said she is seeing sheds built and logs being delivered on different roads but no applications for saw mills. There are several violations in Mexico. There was a discussion about violations. There was also a discussion about the planning board receiving the site plan and recommendation to the ZBA. The last question of the criteria is the problem with most applicants. Weber said she knows the figures are true and correct because she also crafts and knows how expensive the equipment prior to the ZBA.

Weber said Dishaw was awarded her special permit.

New Business:

Weber said she received "Rural Publications". It is a great publication. Weber gave the board the website and phone number. Dishaw said she received extra publications in the mail so if anyone wants to stop in she would give them a copy. Loforte said she is looking into training with the Planning Federation. Loforte asked if that is an excepted training. Dishaw said she believes it is but would check on it. Weber asked if there was any interest in the vacancies on the boards. Dishaw said she had a few calls but no one got back to her.

Weber said next month would be a live meeting at McAuslan Hall.

A motion was made by Board Member Salatti and seconded by Board Member Toth to adjourn at 8:11. The motion was unanimously adopted by a vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Dishaw
Town Clerk