Planning Board of the Town of Mexico Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held September 8, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. at McAuslan Hall

Present: Nancy Weber, Chairman

Steve Salatti, Board Member Bonnie Loforte, Board Member Allison Trudell, Board Member

Ron Marsden, CEO

Absent: Gary Toth, Board Member

And 1 in the audience

Chairman Weber opened the meeting at 7:06 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Salatti and seconded by Loforte to approve the minutes of August 9, 2021. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays.

Old Business:

Weber said Rosato is still on hold.

ZBA is still reviewing Harvey Miller's saw mill application, which may be returned to the Planning Board for site plan review due to DOT requirements. Salatti stated that the regulations for the DOT should be in writing so that all applications use the same requirements.

Weber announced Salatti's retirement from the Planning Board and thanked him for his service.

New Business:

Carson Site Plan Review

Weber asked Carson to explain to the board what he why he is applying for a site plan review. Carson said he would like to put a 6-foot fence from his house to the river because the property next door is up for sale and he is concerned about his privacy. Carson's property is located in the R2 zone. Tall fences are not allowed in the R2 zone without the required site plan review. Carson distributed photos of the property to the board members. Weber asked if the dock was on his property. Carson said yes. Weber asked if it was a year-round house. Carson said yes but he lives in the house from March to October. The addition has been completed. The adjacent property is for sale and Carson is concerned that a charter company will purchase it. There is a fish cleaning station 15 feet from the property line that is visible from his bedroom window. Carson would like to install a fence before new neighbors move onto the property. The fence would stop approximately 45 feet from the river so as not to block the view. Carson would prefer the fence to extend behind the shed but, if necessary, could end at the corner of the cabin.

Weber asked if Carson was anticipating problems with a charter company. Carson said yes. Weber said a family could purchase the property. Carson said neighbors could still use their fish cleaning station but would not be able to see his cabin. The fence would not interfere

with the view of the river. Weber explained the procedure for the site plan review, including the public hearing and the notification of neighbors. Marsden said he would supply Carson with the list of neighbors that he would have to notify. Weber urged the members to visit the site. Weber asked if Carson would like to be notified when each member is visiting the property. Carson said yes but if the gate is open, they are welcome to come onto the property. Carson said if the gate is closed, they can park at the gate and walk up to the property. Weber asked if any of the other neighbors had fences. Marsden said there were at least three neighbors that have 6-foot fences.

A motion was made by Salatti and seconded by Loforte to schedule a public hearing for Monday, October 4th at 7:00 pm at McAuslan Hall, 3245 Main St, Mexico, NY and to notify neighbors contingent to the property for the purpose of installing a 6-foot fence. The motion was unanimously adopted by a vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays.

Other Business:

Weber reminded the board that the sexual harassment and the four hour mandatory trainings are required to be completed by December 31st. Weber asked if Dishaw had a record of completed training hours for the board members. Dishaw said she did.

The next meeting will be on October 4, 2021.

A motion was made by Salatti and seconded by Loforte to adjourn at 8:34. The motion was unanimously adopted by a vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Dishaw Town Clerk, RMC