Mexico Planning Board Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held June 2, 2025 at the Town Hall Commencing at 6:30 P.M.

Present: Nancy Weber, Chairwoman

Bonnie Loforte, Councilor

Gary Toth, Councilor

Absent: Karen Davies-Buckley, Councilor

Allison Trudell, Councilor

Ron Marsden, Code Enforcement Officer

Graham Seiter, Town Attorney

And 1 in the audience.

Chairwoman Weber called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:30pm.

Review of minutes: A motion was made by Councilor Toth and seconded by Councilor Loforte to approve the May 2025 minutes. The motion was passed by a vote of 3 ayes: Weber, Loforte, Toth and 0 nays.

Chairwoman Weber said the town should reach out to the DEC to have an informational meeting for all the municipal board members regarding the new wetland regulations. Chairwoman Weber said she will reach out to the NY Planning Federation for suggestions.

Counselor Loforte shared a training opportunity that she received through email for jurisdictional protections from the DEC; she will send it to the board members.

Old Business

Ackerman Bakery Application, US RT 11

Chairwoman Weber said she would like to walk the property; she's concerned about oil and hazardous material storage on the same site as a food preparation location. Counselor Loforte said she would like to go as well. Chairwoman Weber said she will encourage members to go for a site visit. Chairwoman Weber said the DOH will have to approve the kitchen but is unsure if they will review the rest of the property. Councilor Loforte said the DEC regulates the burning of used motor oil and facilities need to be permitted.

Chairwoman Weber said Laselle stated the people who have the storage units on ST RT 104 have changed the location of where they want to put the building, so they need to start the process over again from the beginning. Chairwoman Weber said Officer Marsden told him he needed to re-apply.

Chairwoman Weber said she needs clarification from the Code Enforcement Officer on various applications and processes; there is an application form she is unfamiliar with. Chairwoman Weber said there is a property on Smithers Rd that seems to have two dwellings on it; if it is not farmworker housing, the property needs to be split.

New Business

Other Business

ZBA Chairman Waterbury informed the board that they would be receiving an application for a small-scale solar farm for personal use. Counselor Toth explained the location and provided his packet to make copies for the rest of the board.

Chairman Waterbury mentioned a form for approval between PB and ZBA. Chairwoman Weber recalled the box on the application that is blank but contains space to document date received, hearing dates, etc.

A motion was made by Councilor Loforte, seconded by Councilor Toth to adjourn at 7:35 pm. The motion was approved by a vote of 3 ayes: Loforte, Toth, Weber, and 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Wild Town Clerk