

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING BOARD MEETING, JANUARY 17, 2024 – TOWN OF KINGSBURY**

**Members Present:** Robert Dingman (Chairman), David Gauci, Luke Getty, Les Macura, Randy Weaver, Paige Zahaba

**Members Excused:** Todd Murphy, Tim LaSarso

**Planning/Zoning Administrator:** Todd Humiston

**Planning Board Secretary:** Alie Weaver

**Kingsbury Town Counsel:** Jeff Meyer

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dingman at 7:00 PM.

Roll call of all members and officials.

Chairman Dingman entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2023 Planning Board Meeting. On a motion by Randy Weaver and seconded by Les Macura, the Kingsbury Planning Board meeting minutes were approved as presented.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Chairman Dingman read into the record an acknowledgement of the untimely death of Randy Getty, who was a Kingsbury Planning Board member for over twenty years. He will be missed.

(A copy of the full acknowledgement annexed hereto at the end of the minutes.)

Chairman Dingman introduced Brandon Ferguson from Environmental Design Partnership, representing Schermerhorn Residential Holdings. Mr. Ferguson stated that Mr. Schermerhorn is requesting a site plan amendment for The Quarry project on Dean Road to utilize seven acres of designated open space to construct a maintenance facility.

Discussion ensued with the Board members regarding the years already spent reviewing amendments for this project, concern of adding more apartments and/or an access road in the future, density requirements, the amount of recreational land that had been approved, and the amount of land actually needed for a maintenance facility.

Chairman Dingman stated that more research will need to be done and a concept plan would need to be reviewed prior to the Planning Board rendering a decision.

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Chairman Dingman introduced the next agenda item of Town Code and Policy Review. Mr. Humiston distributed handouts of proposed amendments involving the Kingsbury Town Codes and Policies. He stated that there are currently no new updates to the Solar Policy as that policy was recently amended.

Mr. Humiston stated that the fee schedules have been updated. He noted that the Town Codes are available on the website for public review, under <http://www.ecode360.com/KI0871>, and suggestions are welcome. The Town Board will have a final review once the Zoning and Planning Boards have completed their review.

Discussion ensued regarding solar, time limits on approvals/permits, revised approvals/permits superseding prior ones, written reasons to the Board for extensions, Commercial Zoning changes, sidewalk and street maintenance, hobby farms, accessory building distances, and billboards.

Chairman Dingman moved this agenda item to the next Planning Board meeting to give the members time to review the proposals.

There being no further business to discuss, Randy Weaver made a motion to adjourn and Les Macura seconded. All others voted in favor and the January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Kingsbury Planning Board meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm.

Alie Weaver

Planning Board Secretary

To: The Citizens of the Town Of Kingsbury

From: The Town of Kingsbury Planning Board

Date January 17, 2024

I would like to acknowledge and shine a light on the fact that the Town of Kingsbury has lost a tremendous asset due to the untimely death of Board Member Randy Getty. Randy served the Board for over 20 years and his expertise and common sense will be sorely missed.

Randy was a proud farmer and brought a wealth of knowledge about the land found throughout the Town of Kingsbury and the potential uses brought before this Board. He rarely lacked an opinion about the use of a particular parcel and always supported that opinion with information pertinent to the issue.

I know that I speak for the Board when I extend a hearty Thank You to his wife Betty and each of his children for sharing him with us over this lengthy period of time. He will be greatly missed by this Board and also the entire Town of Kingsbury community.