

Town of Alexander
PLANNING BOARD REGULAR MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING
April 28, 2014

Present: Linda Higley, Chairperson; John O'Neil, Michael Schmieder, James Hess
Absent: Robert Kelsey
Also: Laura Schmieder-Secretary;
Guests: Gene Kowalczewski, Student Transportation of America; Todd Audsley, Smart Design;
Karl Bender, CEO/ZEO; Joseph Higley, Town Supervisor; David Miller and Eric
Wagner, Councilpersons

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Higley. On motion by John O'Neil, seconded by Michael Schmieder, and carried, the minutes of the March 31, 2014 regular meeting were approved as written. 4 – Yes 0 – No Motion carried

The Clerk read the Proof of Publication. On motion by James Hess, seconded by John O'Neil, and carried, the Public Hearing opened at 7:05 p.m.

Gene Kowalczewski from Student Transportation of America was present to answer questions in regard to this special use request. His company is proposing to lease property at 3784 Dodgeson Road (old Vermeer building), tax map #15-1-4.2, to house and dispatch school buses for the Attica and Batavia School Districts. They have plans to improve the property and the structure, and will hire approximately 35 school bus drivers. The business will be up and running prior to the start of the 2014/15 school year. Todd Audsley addressed drainage issues on the property, and the parking lot improvements. He will stay in touch with Town CEO Karl Bender for plans for improvements made inside the building.

They attended the Genesee County Planning Department meeting on April 10th and received County approval with the following modifications: 1) no vehicles intended for dismantling or use for parts shall be stored on the property; 2) any on-site lighting shall be installed so as to not shine directly onto neighboring properties or cause a hazard for motorists, and 3) the storage and disposal of all new and used waste oils, lubricants, fuels, coolants and other hazardous materials shall be conducted in a manner consistent with all applicable State and Federal laws.

On motion by James Hess, seconded by John O'Neil, and carried, the Public Hearing closed at 7:35 p.m.

On motion by Michael Schmieder, seconded by James Hess, and carried, to give final approval to Student Transportation of America for their special use request at 3784 Dodgeson Road, tax map #15-1-4.2, to house and dispatch 30 – 35 buses, with the recommendations from the County Planning Board.

The May regular monthly meeting falls on Memorial Day. If any Planning Board business comes into the office, they will hold their meeting on Tuesday, May 27th at 7:00 p.m. Members will be notified.

On motion by John O'Neil, seconded by James Hess, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Schmieder
Recording Secretary