

Minutes of the Sandy Creek Regional Planning Board

Wednesday, January 5, 2025

Sandy Creek Town Hall

Members Present: Frank Dixon, Richard Machemer, Bill Joyce, Sybil Cummins, Larry Rice

Absent: Shirley Rice (illness), Pat Machemer (Vacation)

Also attending: Charles Skellen, Keith Snyder, John Wood, Steve Haskins

Larry Rice opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Steve Haskins had thought that this would be a meeting to discuss the Comprehensive Plan. Bill explained that that would not be the case as the Comprehensive Plan is currently on hold. He then left the meeting.

A brief discussion of the minutes of the meeting of December 4, 2024 found no changes were necessary. A motion was made by Frank Dixon to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Richard Machemer and the motion was passed by a unanimous vote of the Board.

Correspondence included: The Town of Sandy Creek CEO Annual Report by John Howland of Building Permits and Violations; A report from CEO John Howland of Building Permits and Violations for the Month of December, 2024; The NYS Legislative Commission on Rural Resources Winter 2025 Issue of Rural Futures magazine; Minutes of the Town Board Meeting dated December 11, 2024; NYS Tug Hill Commission 34th Annual Local Government Conference invitation to attend.

Bill provided a treasurer's report with monthly expenditures for salaries of \$92.35 per Board Member and a check to Bill Joyce for \$438.66 as Secretary/Treasurer and a payment to EFTPS for \$149.18. A remaining balance totals \$57,780.80.

A discussion of member re-appointments followed. Bill, Richard and Sybil all need to sign the Oath Book at the Town Office.

Keith Snyder of S&R Automotive was present to discuss a sign that Napa Auto Parts had given to S&R to be put up on the exterior of the building. The sign is far larger than would be permissible as per the Site Plan Local Law. Mr. Snyder anticipates doing a modification to the existing Site Plan to incorporate the recent purchase of property adjacent to the current S&R Automotive building in the Village of Sandy Creek at the February meeting of the Planning Board. An application for Modification of an Existing Site Plan was provided to Mr. Snyder and instructe to meet with CEO Todd Bristol whose office hours are on Thursdays from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Mr. Snyder agreed to do so.

There followed a discussion concerning the update of the Comprehensive Plan. Bill explained that due to circumstances regarding an ongoing dispute with the Sandy Creek Town Board member Nola Gove and her husband Steve Gove concerning accusations made by Charles Skellen the Comprehensive Plan will officially be shelved until this dispute has some resolution.

With no further business before the Board, a motion was made by Larry Rice to adjourn, seconded by Frank Dixon. All voted in the affirmative and the motion carried. The Planning Board adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sybil Cummins, Recording Secretary