

Minutes of the Sandy Creek Regional Planning Board

Wednesday, November 4, 2024

Sandy Creek Town Hall

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

Also attending: Charles Skellen, John Wood

Larry Rice opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

A brief discussion of the minutes of the meeting of October 2, 2024 found no changes were necessary. A motion was made by Richard Machemer to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Pat Machemer and the motion was passed by a unanimous vote of the Board.

Correspondence included: A report by John Howland of Building Permits issued dated 9/1/24 to 10/09/24, the minutes of the meeting by the Town Board dated September 11, 2024; A copy of the periodical Towns and Topics.

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, and a check in the amount of \$100.00 for 12 month rental of a post office box. A remaining balance totals \$8,022.63.

A discussion of member re-appointments followed. Both Bill and Richard are due to be reappointed at the December meeting of the Town Board.

There followed a discussion concerning the update of the Comprehensive Plan. Charles Skellen presented the Board with copies of the current Comprehensive plan, as well as a time line for the Board to consider for taking this project forward. Bill brought up the prospect of splitting the cost, estimated by Charles to be in the range of \$14,000.00, between the three entities – the Town and Village of Sandy Creek and the Village of Lacona. Charles stated that in his discussions with Mr. Stahl there was up to \$6,000.00 per municipality slated for the creation or update of Comprehensive Plans. Further discussion followed of compensating Charles for, at the very least, the materials such as ink and paper that he has provided to date. John Wood stated that as an employee of the Town he need only provide receipts in order to be compensated on that level. As Bill will not be present at the next meeting of the Town Board, Charles agreed to present the timeline and the proposed budget to the Town. John Wood will also facilitate at that meeting.

A brief discussion of the impending Solar Farm at the old town dump followed. The mechanics of how the site plan would be dealt with were provided for John Wood. The lack of information concerning the closure of the dump in the 1970's was discussed. The leases for the two proposed properties have been signed by all parties and an application for Site Plan is expected soon.

With no further business before the Board, a motion was made by Sibyl Cummins 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