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Town of Shandaken Planning Board
MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING
April 25, 2018

The special meeting was called to order by Chair Brewer at 7:00 pm with the pledge of allegiance.

Roll called by Planning Board Secretary Anne Ricciardella, and attendance was recorded as follows:

Don Brewer, Chair	Present
Kathy Jordan, V. Chair	Present
Art Christie	Present
John Horn	Present
Joanne Kalb	Present
Allen Shiner	Present
Cliff Rabuffo	Present

Roll call summary: 7 Present,

Others present: Warren Tutt, Sam Spata, Paul LaPierre, Patty Hanson, Michelle –REX Divisions manager, Kathy Nolan, Tina Rice, Tom Fraser, Hilary Leitner, Jay Jacobs, Scott Glick, Bob Kalb

Communications:

None

Minutes:

Motion was made by Board Member Horn to accept the previous month's minutes as written, seconded by Board Member Kalb. All in favor.

Old Business:

Shandaken Inn – Special permit:

Public hearing remained open from last meeting due to no quorum being present. Chair Brewer recused because he was the surveyor of the property. There were no further questions from the rest of the members present; motion was made by Board Member Kalb to close the public hearing, seconded by

Board member Shiner. All in favor. With nothing further from the Board, motion was made to accept their application as submitted by Board Member Shiner, seconded by Board Member Kalb.

Roll call vote:

Kathy Jordan, V. Chair	Yes
Art Christie	Yes
John Horn	Yes
Joanne Kalb	Yes
Allen Shiner	Yes
Cliff Rabuffo	Yes
Don Brewer, Chair	Recused

Roll call summary: 6 yes, 1 recused

Rail Explorers:

Rail Explorers, Marketing Manager Patty Hanson present again with Michelle, Divisions Manager, to go over site plan/application. Rail cars are for everyone and anyone, there are no age or weight limits, no restrictions. Tickets are purchased online, with directions to the site, including specific entrance instructions to at the East end of High St. off of Route 28. They also have employees on the phones from 9-5 the day before the tour speaking to guests about where to arrive/park. Entrance could be used as an exit also, but their main goal is to have cars leave towards Phoenicia to check out the Town. Expecting about 10-15 cars at a time, for each tour, plus employee parking. There are enough parking spaces but if they happen to have overflow, the ESRM has a buffer section for them.

They have 9 bikes in total. Four seaters are 750lbs. and two seaters are 500lbs. There will be 20 people to start out, arriving in waves, with 3 or 4 greeters to check them in and sign waiver forms. Check-in time is a half hour before the tour so the safety speech can be given and then they'll be seated and buckled in. Will have 4 tours a day running at 10/12/2 & 4pm, lasting about two hours, pedaling 4 miles down 28 towards Boiceville, turn around and head back to Phoenicia which leaves about 20-25 minutes at the station in between rides. They'll be a guide car in the front and back of the ride with one of the two people operating them being the flagger to regulate the road crossing. REX and the County met with the DOT and FRA to discuss this.

There will be two trailers on wheels moved on to the site, the bathroom trailer with a closed water tank and system, plus ADA full compliant bathroom stall, and a trailer for the crew headquarters. The ticket/retail shed will be built by Bob Jones on 6ft. piers that will be set 4 ft. below grade, and 2 ft. above, bolted down due to its placement in a floodplain zone. The structure cannot exceed 15 ft. in height from grade. Work on the parking lot has already been issued to the ESRM and they've been clearing the space out. There will be 6 inches of item 4 with a permeable fabric underneath it. There was some confusion amongst the board members about what they'd actually be issuing to REX. They needed to decide whether a special permit or site plan review was to be granted. REX already has permission from the County to operate the rail cars on the rail line. County permit also states that ticket booths, parking facilities, and other structures necessary for or related to tourism railroad operations and maintenance are permitted on property owned by the County. The structures in question can't fit on the County property, so they have to be placed on the ESRM property. None of the definitions in the code book are allowed in

an HR zoning district. The fact that the County owns the rails doesn't change the zoning of the land around them. After much discussion from the Board, they decided that since the structures will be on the ESRM property, they should be applying for a site plan review to put three (3) temporary structures up to be seasonally used by Rail Explorers. Motion was made by Board Member Rabuffo to send the application to public hearing, seconded by Board Member Jordan. Public hearing will be at next month's meeting, May 9th at 6:30pm.

Roll call vote:

Kathy Jordan, V. Chair	Yes
Art Christie	Yes
John Horn	Yes
Joanne Kalb	Yes
Allen Shiner	Yes
Cliff Rabuffo	Yes
Don Brewer, Chair	Yes

Roll call summary: 7 yes

New Business:

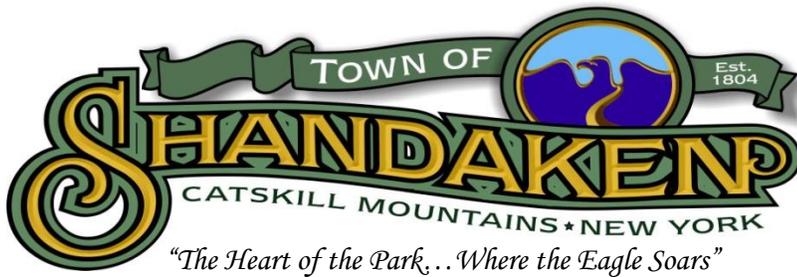
Other Business:

County Liaison:

Included in the April 11th meeting minutes.

Adjournment:

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was made for adjournment by Board Member Kalb, seconded by Board Member Rabuffo. All in favor. The Town of Shandaken Planning Board special meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:20 PM.



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Date: Special Meeting/Workshop, April 25, 2018

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Main Hall, Town Hall Building

Public Hearing: None

AGENDA

1. Meeting Called to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call:

Don Brewer, Chair	_____ present	_____ absent
Kathy Jordan, Vice	_____ present	_____ absent
Art Christie	_____ present	_____ absent
John Horn	_____ present	_____ absent
Joanne Kalb	_____ present	_____ absent
Allen Shiner	_____ present	_____ absent
Cliff Rabuffo	_____ present	_____ absent

Quorum of _____ members present

4. Previous meeting minutes:

5. Communications:

6. Old Business:

- Shandaken Inn – Special Permit
- Rail Explorers – Site plan/application

7. New Business:

- Shandaken Inn – Sketch Plan (Wkshop)

8. Other Business:

None

9. County Liaison Report:

- April 11th report from Mr. Spata in folders

10. Meeting Adjournment