

**Town of Westerlo
Zoning Board
Westerlo, New York
Zoning Board Meeting**

Minutes

Date: August 24, 2015

Location: Westerlo Town Hall, Westerlo, New York

Board Members: Chairperson Virginia Mangold, Wilfred VanInderstine, Robert Beck, John Sefcik, Amie Burnside

Town Attorney: Aline D. Galgay, Esq.

Zoning Administrator: Edwin Lawson

Board Members Present: Virginia Mangold, Wilfred VanInderstine, Robert Beck, John Sefcik, Amie Burnside

Chairperson Virginia Mangold called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the July meeting. Wilfred VanInderstine made the motion to accept the minutes; John Sefcik seconded the motion. All members present in favor.

Old Business: To bring all up to speed: Chairwoman Mangold asked to include her explanation regarding a Public Hearing that did not take place and the reasoning behind the decision.

The zoning board members were prepared for a Public Hearing to review the application for Mr. Richard Brandon looking for a side line variance. Background Info: Mr. Brandon having entered into a contract with a Solar company to place a ground mount Solar system at the rear and side of his property. The Solar company having measured the area out found that it was going to place the system too close to the side line thereby requiring a side line variance. The application for this was accepted at the July 2015 meeting. However, after the first site visit, the ZBA Board determined that applicant Brandon may not require the side line variance. The ZBA made a few site visits measuring and re-measuring with Mr. Brandon and the Solar company and found a way to build the ground mount without having the need for the set back variance and with a little encouragement have it set more than the 50' set back (now apx. 55'). With that in mind, the public hearing that was set for this evening was determined unnecessary whereby saving the applicant, the ZBA and the Town a considerable amount of time and paperwork.

"sometimes it pays to take a bit more time and patience" . Thank you Zoning Board. I appreciate all you do.

Signed ... Virginia Mangold, ZBA Chairperson

New Business: None

Robert Beck motioned to adjourn the meeting; Amie Burnside seconded the motion. All members present in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Bungay
Zoning Board Clerk