

**ULSTER COUNTY PLANNING BOARD**  
***Minutes – Wednesday, May 6, 2020***

**The Ulster County Planning Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.**

**REMOTE MEETING ONLY - WEB or CALL IN ONLY**  
**PLEASE DO NOT SHOW UP TO THE COUNTY BUILDING – IT IS CLOSED**

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WERE INVITED TO LISTEN

**There Executive Committee Did Not Meet**

Mr. Doyle called the meeting to order and read the roll call.

1. **ROLL CALL – Present:** L. Mance, J. Konior, S. McCarthy, C. Lanzetta, M. Calimano, D. Boggess, T. Wilkin, M. Baden, J. Brown, R. Hlavaty, M. Watkins, V. Markowitz, J. Winer, W. Murray, V. McLaughlin, G. Gagliardi, D. Doyle, R. Leibowitz **Absent:** L. Geary, D. Proctor, V. Welton, J. Bonavita-Goldman **Excused:** R. Pecora, F. Almquist, M. Rudikoff

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The April minutes were approved. Motion by Mr. Wilkin, seconded by Mr. McCarthy. All were in favor.

3. **EDUCATION & TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

Mr. Doyle stated we have been receiving email notifications for webinars and we'll try to share them as they come up. He added that if anyone attends a webinar they should send us an email to record the training credit.

4. **COMMUNITY REPORTS**

Ms. Mance said even though she represents Hurley on the County Planning Board, she wanted to say thanks for the recommendations for Town of Esopus to replace Alan Sorenson, the Town Planner.

Mr. Wilkin stated that Executive Order 202.14 expires May 7<sup>th</sup> and asked if anyone heard any updates. He added that the order was signed April 7<sup>th</sup> and extends the in-person requirement of open meeting law through May 7<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Doyle stated we would look into it. Mr. McLaughlin later confirmed that it was extended to June 6<sup>th</sup>.

5. **PLANNING BOARD REPORTS**

- a. Chairperson Report – No report
- b. Committee Reports – No report

6. **PLANNING DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

- a. Financial Report

Mr. Doyle informed the Board that the County has instituted a hiring freeze and a memo was sent asking departments to cut 10% of this year's budget. Mr. Doyle noted that our cuts came from Professional Services, conference attendance and mileage accounts, which amounted to approximately \$170,000. Mr. Baden stated that he got the email on Phase 2 of the Brownfield's study and asked if there was a new due date. Mr. Leibowitz stated the State delayed the date of release and added that it hasn't been moved on it yet. Mr. Doyle explained to the Board that we did a

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(m) = handout included in the mailing

pre-nomination study that looked at 5 areas of county through a Consolidated Funding Applications (CFA) opportunity grant. We were told funding would be released 4/29, so we are waiting to see what is going on. Mr. Baden said the money is collected out of user fees, so hopefully it won't be defunded.

Mr. Doyle informed the Board that the passage of the Budget bill included a streamlined review process for solar energy siting. We are looking at this and will draft a Planner's Memo on it. Mr. Doyle stated there was significant pushback from communities originally because it pertained to facilities as small as 10 megawatts and is now limited to 25 MW and can opt-in at 20 MW. Existing facilities can also opt in.

- b. Environmental Notice Bulletin & Grant Opportunities– *No Member Comment*
- c. Communications – No member comment
- d. Director/Staff Reports – No member comment

**7. SPECIAL TOPICS DISCUSSION**

Mr. Doyle stated he wanted to discuss social distancing at the trails. He noted that a number of signs have been erected on the Ashokan Rail Trail, the Sheriff's Dept has also been there and the volunteers are still there. Mr. Boggess stated he was avoiding the trails due to the number of people.

Ms. Winer stated that the Mayor of Ellenville has asked about finding a template for signs to social distance and wear masks. Mr. Doyle said the templates we used are from Wallkill Valley Land Trust and offered to share them.

**8. PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment**

**9. ZONING REFERRALS – *See Separate Zoning Minutes***

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:45PM. All were in favor.

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## Esopus

Referral Number **2020039** Received: 4/13/2020  
Name: **SCP Metal Fabrications** Type of Referral: **Special Permit**  
Description: 3,200 square foot commercial workshop for metal fabrication  
Project Location: 660 Broadway (Rt 9W)  
Recommendation: **Required Modifications** Abstentions:  
Motion: Konior  
Second: Welton  
Vote: Yes  16 No  0  
Recusals:

## Esopus

Referral Number **2020040** Received: 4/13/2020  
Name: **SCP Metal Fabrications** Type of Referral: **Site Plan Review**  
Description: 3,200 square foot commercial workshop for metal fabrication  
Project Location: 660 Broadway (Rt 9W)  
Recommendation: **Required Modifications** Abstentions:  
Motion: Konior  
Second: Welton  
Vote: Yes  16 No  0  
Recusals:

## Esopus

Referral Number **2020041** Received: 4/20/2020  
Name: **Soura Variance** Type of Referral: **Area Variance**  
Description: Multiple area variances for automotive repair shop with used car sales.  
Project Location: 190 Ulster Avenue Ulster Park  
Recommendation: **Required Modifications** Abstentions:  
Motion: Gagliardi  
Second: Konior  
Vote: Yes  16 No  0  
Recusals:

## Marlborough

Referral Number **2020038** Received: 3/27/2020  
Name: **Chapter 99** Type of Referral: **Other Special Authorization**  
Description: Chapter 99: Waterfront Revitalization Program Consistency Review Law  
Project Location: Townwide  
Recommendation: **Advisory Comments** Abstentions:  
Motion: Baden  
Second: McLaughlin  
Vote: Yes  15 No  0  
Recusals: Lanzetta

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## Saugerties Town

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Referral Number      **2020034**      Received:      4/24/2020  
Name:      **Middle Way School**      Type of Referral:      **Special Permit**  
Description:      Construct 2,464 SF building as an addition to an existing school campus.  
Project Location:      268 West Saugerties Road  
Recommendation:      **No County Impact**      Abstentions:  
Motion:      McLaughlin  
Second:      Konior  
Vote:      Yes  No       Recusals:      Hlavaty  
                          Murray

## Saugerties Town

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Referral Number      **2020035**      Received:      4/24/2020  
Name:      **Middle Way School**      Type of Referral:      **Site Plan Review**  
Description:      Construct 2,464 SF building as an addition to an existing school campus.  
Project Location:      268 West Saugerties Road  
Recommendation:      **No County Impact**      Abstentions:  
Motion:      McLaughlin  
Second:      Konior  
Vote:      Yes  No       Recusals:      Hlavaty

## Saugerties Town

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Referral Number      **2020036**      Received:      4/27/2020  
Name:      **Storage Building**      Type of Referral:      **Area Variance**  
Description:      13' variance from 50' rear yard setback requirements for proposed 60' x 28' accessory storage building  
Project Location:      3185 Route 9W  
Recommendation:      **Required Modifications**      Abstentions:  
Motion:      Baden  
Second:      Welton  
Vote:      Yes  No       Recusals:      Hlavaty