

## Town of Romulus Planning Board

June 1, 2015

### **Roll Call:**

Tom Bouchard  
Al Nivison  
Bill Karlsen  
Cindy Meckley -absent  
Sue Ellen Balluff  
Mary Joslyn - excused  
Kate Sinicropi

### **Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence**

*Minutes of May 4, 2015 meeting.*

Sue Ellen noted that under New Business a sentence correction is needed: The company is one of five, *applying to be licensed to grow medical marijuana.* Tom requested deleting the last two sentences under Zoning Update as they were incorrect. Two other changes under Old Business were grammatical corrections. Al made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Sue Ellen seconded the motion. Minutes were approved unanimously with noted corrections.

### **New Business**

#### **Citiva Medical Proposal**

Welcome to John Caruso, of Passero Associates, representing Citiva Medical. Mr. Caruso provided an overview of the proposal from Citiva Medical to construct a 90,000 square foot Greenhouse and a 36,000 square foot Process Facility on two existing concrete pads at the former Seneca Army Depot, currently owned by Flaum. The project is a semi-reuse site and the company plans to utilize the existing services and facilities, such as water, sewer and electric. Maps and renderings were provided.

Mr. Caruso provided educational information as to how the medical marijuana is grown, processed, shipped, dispensed and used.

There is a six foot fence around the perimeter, with 24/7 security guards. Of the 60-80 employees, 25 will be security guards. There is video security via security cameras internally and externally. All doors have secured access. Lighting will be on buildings, shining down and away from the building.

Waste is organic and it is the stalk only. It is chopped up and put in a vessel with CO<sub>2</sub>. It can be composted or carried away. There is no plan to compost on site,

but to take it off site for disposal.

A discussion regarding classification under our new zoning occurred with a decision that the proposal fits under a number of categories, ie. Industrial/Warehouse, Medical/Health or Ag. Structure. These just need a Zoning Permit. Therefore the proposal does not need a Special Use Permit under our zoning. We clarified that our new zoning has not been received back from the state yet.

We are comfortable with having the Zoning Officer issue the permit. Seneca County issues a building permit. The Planning Board can take action on SEQR, if necessary.

**Motion** by Sue Ellen that the Planning Board supports the Citiva Medical Project for zoning compliance. Motion seconded by Al. Discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

### **By Laws Review**

A discussion regarding the by laws and components of the by laws identified several areas needing review and/or change. The by laws were tabled.

### **Lake Shore Project Update**

The letter went out to Senator Nozzolio. This project is six years old and we need the assistance from Senator Nozzolio in order to get the land transferred.

### **Training Recap**

The May 14<sup>th</sup> training went well. Certificates received should be filed with Terry Smith, Town Clerk.

### **Old Business**

#### **Sned Acres Update**

Development will occur in July as they have a contractor secured.

#### **Comprehensive Plan**

Bill found two different copies. One is 1997 and the other 2001.

#### **Anderson Group Tour**

No information.

#### **Willard Cemetary**

Bill and Tom attended. Over 200 people were in attendance at the ceremony. They have done a great job cleaning it up.

#### **Right to Farm Signs**

This will stay on the agenda as Cindy was investigating it.

## **Other New Business**

### **Solar**

Bill brought up some new information on solar scenic by way. Is our Solar regulation up to date? Trumansburg and Ulysses Towns are working on it.

### **Zoning Enforcement**

A burnt house up the street in Willard with an unmowed lawn has gone back to the bank. Does our Enforcement Officer get in touch with the bank? Tom will ask Adam if he has gotten any letters.

### **Consolidated Funding Application**

Tom reported on for the local waterfront revitalization program.

Next meeting is July 6<sup>th</sup>.

Motion to adjourn by Al and seconded by Sue Ellen. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kate Sinicropi  
Secretary