



Copake Planning Board

December 21, 2013

Board Appointment Minutes

Approved
January 11, 2014

According to the Copake Policy Manual, Section Six (6) "Citizen's Participation" a meeting of the Copake Planning Board was called to order at 1:30 pm by Marcia Becker, Chair. Also present were Chris Grant, Bob Haight, Steve Savarese and Julie Cohen. Lisa DeConti was present to record the minutes.

The purpose of the meeting was to meet and interview a candidate who is applying for the Board position vacated by the term expiration of George Filipovits.

On a motion made by Mr. Savarese and seconded by Mr. Grant the Board voted unanimously to open the meeting and go into executive session.

After conclusion of the executive session, on a motion made by Mr. Grant and seconded by Mr. Savarese, the Board voted unanimously to come out of Executive Session.

During the Executive Session Edward Sawchuck was interviewed. The Board discussed his qualifications and availability and felt he was qualified for the position.

On a motion made by Mr. Savarese and seconded by Mr. Grant the Board voted unanimously to recommend Mr. Sawchuck to the Town Board to fill the position. A letter will be written to the Town Board advising them of the Planning Board's recommendation.

Ms. Becker will contact the applicant thanking him for his interest and informing him that the Town Board will be making the final decision. He will be advised by the Town Board after their next meeting.

After the Executive Session was concluded there was a short discussion regarding the Expedited Site Plan Review. Ms. Becker asked the Board to review this and send their recommendations and comments to the Town Board.

A discussion also ensued regarding the previously granted variances for the Berkshire Mountain Club at Catamount Ski Area as there are conditions attached to them. The discussion also contained questions about whether a new SEQR form will be required, whether the special use permit needed to be renewed and whether the towns of Hillsdale and Egremont are being notified. These questions will be discussed further with the applicants the next time they appear.

On a motion made by Mr. Grant and seconded by Mr. Savarese the Board voted unanimously to close the Special Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 pm.