MINUTES OF A MEETING AS HELD BY THE TOWN OF AURORA PLANNING AND CONSERVATION BOARD

NOVEMBER 7, 2012

Members Present: Donald Owens, Chairman

Al Fontanese William Adams Timothy Bailey William Voss Richard Glover

Alternate Members Present: David Majka

Members Absent: Charles Snyder

Laurie Kutina

Others Present: William Kramer, Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector

Chairman Owens presided over the meeting which began at 7:00 p.m. at the Town of Aurora Southside Municipal Center Auditorium, 300 Gleed Avenue, East Aurora, NY. William Adams opened the meeting with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chairman Owens designated Alternate Member David Majka to act as a substitute for absent member Laurie Kutina.

William Adams moved to accept the minutes of the September 5, 2012 meeting of the Planning and Conservation Board; seconded by Timothy Bailey.

Upon a vote being taken: ayes – seven noes – none Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chairman Owens noted that in August and September the Planning Board toured the Town. Mr. Owens stated that an understanding is needed of: 1) the watershed and how it is impacted by development; and 2) invasive plant species and how they spread.

NEW BUSINESS:

Timothy Bailey and William Kramer spoke on behalf of the Town Code Review Committee, noting that the committee has been reviewing the code and proposing changes. One of the goals is to incorporate the information from the Table of District Regulations into the zoning code.

Some to the topic discussed were:

• Day care uses

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- Bed & Breakfast facilities in R-1
- Lot size changes for R-2 and R-3 due to health department requirements.
- Change in side yard setbacks from three (3) feet to the height of the accessory structure wall.
- The current definition of Kennel (more than three (3) adult dogs) needs redefining.
- Rural Residential will be a designated overlay, not a zone district.
- The importance of Rural Residential overlay in areas of denser housing in an agriculture zone.
- Rural Residential overlay needs to be looked at carefully in state regulated (county) agricultural districts.
- Business 1 (B-1) and Business 2 (B-2) zones it was noted that there is currently very little B-2 zoning in the Town.
- Definitions will be changed and/or some code items redefined in order to bring them into the 21st century.

William Voss moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.; seconded by David Majka. Upon a vote being taken: ayes – seven noes – none Motion carried.

Submitted by: Martha Librock Town Clerk

The next scheduled meeting of the Aurora Planning and Conservation Board is Wednesday, December 5, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Aurora Southside Municipal Center Auditorium, 300 Gleed Avenue, East Aurora, NY.