

**TOWN OF OTEGO PLANNING BOARD**

**Minutes of Regular Meeting**

**February 21, 2023**

<b>Planning Board Members Present:</b>	Lois Chernin, Mark Dye, Kathy Leahy, Harry Martin, Lonnie Ridgway
<b>Planning Board Members Absent:</b>	None
<b>Planning Board Member Excused:</b>	None
<b>Planning Board Alternate Present:</b>	David Sheldon
<b>Planning Board Recording Secretary Present:</b>	Colleen Bushnell
<b>Codes Officer - Dan Wilber:</b>	Present
<b>Town Board Liaison – Jimmy Hamm:</b>	Present
<b>Members of the Public:</b>	3

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The regular meeting of the Town of Otego Planning Board opened at 7:00 pm.

The minutes from the January 17, 2023 regular meeting were reviewed by members.

**Motion made by David Sheldon, seconded by Harry Martin, to accept the minutes as written.** No discussion.

**Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion Carried.**

**Reports:** Jimmy Hamm reports for the Town Board:

- JR Hurlburt states there have been 30 road signs stolen. Some have been found in the creek. Still investigating.
- Roxanne Hurlburt is working on a veteran poster for the Town to honor any veterans.
- An AED was donated by the Otego Emergency Squad to the Town of Otego.
- Ed Horan is providing training for CPR and the AED on Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2pm to 4pm, and on Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 11am. Lois states she will be in attendance. Contact her if interested.

**Old Business:**

- Lois received the latest draft for a new town map from Otsego County Planning.
- The Planning Board members reviewed and discussed changes needed. Lois will contact the County with the changes suggested.

**New Business:**

- Lois received an application from Lonnie Ridgway for a Home Occupation at 752 County Highway 7 in Otego with tax # 297.00-1-52.00.
- Lonnie is a real estate appraiser and would like to establish a home office for his business. He is the only employee and there would be no traffic as it would be internet based.

**Motion made by David Sheldon, seconded by Kathy Leahy, to approve the action for a Home Occupation at 752 County Highway 7 with tax # 297.00-1-52.00 for Lonnie Ridgway.** No discussion.

**Vote: Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion carried.**

Lonnie Ridgway recused himself from the vote.

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**New Business:** (continued)

- A letter will be provided to Lonnie regarding this action.

**Communications:**

- Harry Martin provided the secretary with certification for 1 hour of training held on January 31st.
- The training was from the New York Planning Federation for “Brownfields Opportunity Area and Smart Growth Comprehensive Grant Program.

**Privilege of the Floor:** None

Next meeting: March 21, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

**Motion made by Mark Dye, seconded by David Sheldon, to adjourn the meeting.**

**Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Colleen Bushnell, Secretary