

Meeting June 20, 2013: at Greenfield Town Hall was called to order at 7:00.

Present: LaVern Utter (acting Chairman), Nancy Kmen, Dan McIntyre, Vince Walsh

Minutes: of the April, May, and June meetings will be processed in July.

Contact reports:

Town Board

1. The TB, on May 13 referred an application from Skidmore College for a Planned Unit Development (Solar Facility) to the EC for review and recommendation. The property (120A) lies on Denton Rd adjoining Saratoga Polo and Prestwick Chase. The proposal (dated Apr 24 & May 9) describes: (a) 6950 solar modules, each 36” by 72” that will occupy app. 8 acres of land, (b) a concrete pad (11’ by 44’) to hold electronic inverters and transformers, and (c) a trench 3300’ long by 36” deep for cables to the power grid. The proposal includes estimates of project duration, safety precautions, noise emissions, reflective glare, and benefits to the world’s CO₂ load. The site map, near the intersection of Denton Rd. and Bloomfield Rd. shows Putnam Brook adjoining the proposed site. A representative from Skidmore attended the EC meeting and presented the proposal. A site visit was scheduled for Tue 2 July at 5:30 PM and all EC members were notified by e-mail. The immediate environmental concern involves potential effect of runoff on Putnam Brook, a Class C trout stream.
2. A conceptual submission from Prestwick Chase proposes an enlargement from 90A to 116A in order to construct 40 new buildings containing 300 senior apartments. The site map stretches from Denton Rd to Daniels Rd. and appears to accommodate existing wetlands. The first phase of State Envir. Quality Review (SEQR) application is included.
3. Skidmore College has submitted an application for a composting facility on Daniels Rd. The project appears to disturb about 2-3A on a wooded site of 38A owned by the college. Wetlands are included on the site plan. This project was not discussed by EC.

Zoning Board of Appeals No report

Planning Board No report

Zoning Administration: No report

Saratoga Water Quality Committee: No report

Adopt-A-Roadside Program No report

Town Parks: The bridge railing at the Porter Corners Nature Trail has been repaired with 3/8” carriage bolts. It is no longer the weak spot on the bridge.

New business:

Meeting adjourned: 9:15

Next meeting: July 18@ 7:00pm