

Village of Caledonia Planning Board
Meeting Minutes for January 18, 2022

Members Present: Rhett Clark, Marge Landowski, Jay Barefoot, James Kemnitz
Members Absent: Brenda Nelson, Jason Hunt

Also Present: Mike Burnside, Code Enforcement Official

November Minutes

Approval postponed until February; no quorum in attendance tonight

New Alternate Member

Rhett Clark welcomed Jay Barefoot as a new Alternate Board Member. Jay received the handbook and signed the Village book with Ann Marie.

Upstate Breaker (1 Technology Place)

The sale closed. A demolition permit has been issued to Frederico. There will be more permits issued (for addition, etc.), but the owner will have to provide plans and more details first.

Dr. Das – Apartment Addition (114 North Street)

Dr. Das would like to build 3 additional apartments at his property on North Street. This is zoned R2, and as such only single-family dwellings may be constructed there. This would be spot zoning, and the County might not permit it. No formal information has been presented or submitted.

Demolition of Old Mill (North Street)

Demolition of this building has begun, but Mike Burnside had to issue a stop work order because the work had begun without a permit. He will issue the permit because the property is condemned. The demolition plans include leveling, grading, and putting gravel down. Current owners may be interested in renting out the former hardware store.

Solar

There is a large-scale project proposed in the Town of Caledonia, on Route 5 near CRC. A small portion of this project would be in the Village, near the car wash, where it is zoned Light Industrial. Accessory structures are not permitted per the zoning for Light Industrial. Access to this would be through the Town portion, not the Village portion. The Planning Board wants to avoid setting a bad precedent with this project.

Cannabis Approval

The Village and Town opted in to allow cannabis sales: this will allow tax revenue earnings. There are no regulations established yet, and any new businesses will need to come to Planning Board for approval.

2022 Meetings

Motion by Marge Landowski, seconded by Jay Barefoot, to hold the 2022 meetings on the following dates at 6:30 pm:

January 18, February 15, March 15, April 19, May 17, June 21

July 19, August 16, September 20, October 18, November 15, December 13

Aye: Rhett Clark, Marge Landowski, Jay Barefoot, James Kemnitz

Nay: None

Abstention: None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Elizabeth Dietrich

Secretary, Village of Caledonia Planning Board