



TOWN OF AMENIA

4988 Route 22, AMENIA, NY 12501
(845) 373-8118, Ext. 124
Fax (845) 373-9147

RECEIVED

MAR 17 2020

Amenia Town Clerk

**PLANNING BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2020 7 P.M.
2nd FLOOR MEETING ROOM**

**REGULAR MEETING: CONGREGATION BETH DAVID – ENTRANCE,
SIDEWALK AND LANDSCAPING CHANGES**

OTHER MATTERS: Minutes – January 8, 2020



TOWN OF AMENIA

4988 Route 22, AMENIA, NY 12501
(845) 373-8860 x122-124
Fax (845) 373-9147

PLANNING BOARD MEETING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2019

PRESENT: Robert Boyles, Jr
Walter Brett
Matthew Deister
Tony Robustelli
John Stefanopoulos
Leo Blackman

ABSENT: Patrick Lawlor

CONSULTANTS: John Andrews

Dave Everett excused himself from meeting – no reason to be present because it is minor project & save the Temple escrow \$

ALSO PRESENT: Bil and Ruth Ehrlich of Congregation Beth David
Chris Colomello – Ducillo Construction

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by the Chairman Robert Boyles, Jr. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the exits were announced in case of emergency.

The meeting was opened and Chairman Boyles asked the applicant, Bil Ehrlich, for **Congregation Beth David** to speak about the changes they would like to make at their location on Route 343. Mr. Ehrlich spoke of changes in the entrance way sidewalk and the sidewalk on the east side of the building that would be leading to the entrance to their social hall. The Entrance to the social hall currently faces east and with this project they would be changing the doorway to face north, so that both entrances would then be facing the same direction. There are currently steps to the door of the synagogue, and this project would be making the entrance ADA compatible with a sloping (ramp effect) to the front of the building from the doors. L. Blackman asked the applicant if there would be proper drainage with the proposed pervious top surface. He said there is, and still will be, natural drainage in this area to the rear of the building and that nothing would be altered.

Consulting Engineer, John Andrews spoke about the project and highlighted some comments that needed attention before approval. Because this building is in

the HPO in the Town of Amenia, they cannot obtain a Building Permit to do the project because it will result in altering the exterior appearance, making it necessary for site plan approval. It will be considered a Type II, minor project not subject to environmental review with no Public Hearing necessary. The Applicant will need to provide the recharge and consumption calculations for the parcel as part of a future submittal. The project needs to be referred to Dutchess County Planning & Development because it is within 500' from State route 343 as well as in the HPO District. The NYSDOT needs to be notified of the project to see what they require. All correspondence to and from the NYSDOT should be copied to the Town's files. This may require a NYSDOT Highway Work Permit. If the Planning Board is fine with the current parking provisions for this location as is, then a statement from the applicant stating that on-street parking is relied upon for their use and it satisfactory in satisfying their needs. The applicant needs to submit the grading and additional wall specs to the rear entry. A SWPPP Plan is not required because less than 1 acre will be disturbed. The one big issue at hand is the NYSDOT ROW by 10 to 12'. All necessary documentation from them is needed for approval.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2020. Motion was made and carried by M. Deister and seconded by W. Brett to move ahead in hopes to be able to have more information to be able to finalize this project and to approve a resolution at that time.

A motion was made and carried by T. Robustelli and seconded by R. Boyles to accept the Minutes of the January 8, 2020 meeting.

A brief discussion with J. Andrews and M. Deister concerning a communication having to do with a site inspection at Westerly Ridge for the driveway was negated for reasons that one is not needed now before a CO. A driveway inspection will be necessary after building the home takes place BEFORE a CO can be granted.

Chairman Boyles welcomed new Planning Board member Leo Blackman

A motion was made and carried by M. Deister and seconded by W. Brett to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Judith Westfall
Planning Board Secretary

The foregoing minutes are taken from meeting of the Planning Board held on January 22, 2020 and are not to be construed as the official minutes until approved.

Approved as read

Approved with: additions, corrections and deletions