

TOWN OF FRANKLIN PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 2, 2023

Attendance: Howland, Komenda, Schlafer, Storey, Thompson. Code Enforcement Officer Gregg Pitula, TPAS Advisor Kent Manual.

Absent: Town Supervisor Jeff Taggart

Location: Franklin Town Garage Meeting Room

REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:30 PM

MINUTES

The minutes of the October 5, 2023 meeting were approved as read (Komenda, Thompson, msp).

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

11/2023 Robert Jacobs – Boundary Line Adjustment

See Minutes of August 3, 2023 #10/2023. Upon completion of sale of the property subdivided, it was discovered that lot #122.-1-3.2 was 20 acres short. Therefore, Mr. Jacobs wishes to convey 20 acres from his Lot #122.-1-3.1 (across the road) to Lot #122.-1-3.2. Classified as a Boundary Line Adjustment (Komenda, Howland, msp) pending completed and notarized application. It was later noted that this BLA was incorrectly labeled as Lot #4. Dan Schlafer was authorized to sign the maps, etc. once all paperwork is completed and accurate. \$110. Fee Paid.

DISCUSSION ONLY:

Nick Fernandez (Oak Hill Glamp Ground, Aurora Tiny Homes, see minutes of June 2, 2023 – Discussion Only) has contacted Code Enforcement Officer Gregg Pitula about possibly changing his plan to a one family house with 4 accessory buildings but no plans or application were provided.

Fires at Solar Arrays: A question was raised about a news report of a fire at a solar array that could not be contained because the fire department did not have adequate equipment and concerns about contamination. Mr. Pitula responded that the fires were not the solar array themselves but lithium battery storage. It is important to ensure that local fire/rescue departments have adequate equipment to contain these facilities before they are approved. It is important to note that many commercial solar arrays do not contain batteries or battery storage.

Solar Array Moratorium: The Town Board will meet on Thursday to discuss this.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.