

**PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
May 11, 2012 – 9:00 AM**

**Present**

**Mayor:**

Robert C. Corby

**Trustees:**

Lorie Boehlert

Tim Galli

Paula Sherwood

**SEQR Process Advisor:**

Art Ientilucci

**Attorney**

Karl Essler

**Recording Secretary:**

Anne Hartsig

**Absent**

Trustee Trip Pierson

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Mayor Corby made a motion, seconded by Trustee Galli** to call the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

**Vote:** Corby – yes, Sherwood – yes, Galli – yes, Boehlert – yes. **Motion carried.**

**REVIEW OF AGENDA**

Mr. Ientilucci reviewed the agenda for the meeting and identified each of the meeting handouts. The handouts included an updated process task/event chart, a check list of impact categories and documents, a document explaining SEQR rules, and the draft Part II and Part III EAF.

Mr. Ientilucci and Mr. Essler explained the lead agency's responsibilities in making a significance determination. They emphasized that the Board must thoroughly analyze all relevant areas of environmental concern and support the determination that is made with written explanations based on the record and the rule of reason.

**DISCUSSION ON PART III AND DETERMINING SIGNIFICANCE**

Mr. Ientilucci explained that the review of the Part II and Part II EAF will lead the Board to a determination of environmental significance. He said that the choices for a determination of significance for this Type I Action are a Negative Declaration or a Positive Declaration.

If a negative declaration is issued the PZB, ARPB and the Board of Trustees can move on to hearings and decisions on the respective, special permit, site plan approval and Certificate of Appropriateness within the purview of each board. If a positive Declaration is issued then an Environmental Impact statement process would ensue.

While the board has the choice as lead agency. If the board is inclined toward a pos dec, it should consider the process that the board has embarked on to date, the associated project changes, and the extensive amount of study and analysis that has been performed and reviewed to date. The EIS process is a long one, potentially 4 to 6 months. The Board might also want to consider what, at this point, will they get out of an EIS in terms of analysis that it may achieve from additional project changes. He explained that a Conditioned Neg Dec is not an available option for a Type I action. However, conditions that an applicant is legally obligated to meet in order to obtain a permit or an approval may be considered and conditioned by underlying approvals as well. An example was discharge permit and Brownfield remediation.

### **REVIEW OF DRAFT PART III BY THE LEAD AGENCY**

Part III of the Environmental Assessment Form gives the lead agency the opportunity to evaluate the importance of each potentially large impact that was identified in Part II. The lead agency may also consider any small to moderate impacts if there is a special concern. It was decided at the last meeting to complete Part II for even the small top moderate impacts as part of the hard look requirement.

Mayor Corby and Board members reviewed project categories that they deemed could have an impact. Those categories included land, water, air, aesthetic resources, historic and archaeological resources, open space and recreation, transportation, noise and odor, public health, growth and character of the community or neighborhood. Members identified additional points of importance and additional explanations that should be included for each category.

The meeting was open to the public and a public notice advertising the meeting and its purpose had been sent by the Board.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Mr. Ientilucci will make the changes to the Part II draft, however, Mr. Lytle will review and revise the Impact on Health section; the Village Engineer will review and provide comment on the Impact on Water and Impact on Growth and Community Character sections. Mayor Corby will provide notes and comments to Mr. Ientilucci, as suggested at the meeting, to bolster areas related to historic and architectural character and aesthetic impacts

The Lead Agency will meet again on 5/31 to discuss the final draft of the Part III EAF and to prepare as necessary for the meeting on 6/14.

The Board of Trustees will hold a special public informational meeting including a power point presentation, to explain the SEQR process, to possibly make a significance determination and to explain the special permit, site plan, and APRB approval processes. The target date for that meeting is June 14<sup>th</sup>.

The Village will contact SRF Associates for an opinion on the effect of traffic from newly established or planned facilities nearby on the Monroe Avenue Corridor.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a **motion** was made **by Trustee Boehlert, seconded by Trustee Sherwood**, to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 AM.

**Vote:** Corby – yes, Sherwood – yes, Galli – yes, Boehlert – yes. **Motion carried.**

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Anne Z. Hartsig, Recording Secretary