

plan approval at last month's meeting for 15 Royal Road. That project is also using funds provided by the Town to TCAD.

There are three special use permit public hearings next week:

A dog kennel next door to the vet practice in the old Phoenix Book Barn building.

I-Deal Self Storage would like to add another building.

51 Hall Road – is a change of use to auto and heavy equipment repair from manufacturing.

There will also be public hearings on the proposed consolidation of water and sewer districts.

Hunt Engineers will open with a presentation of the broadband report and a question and answer. The board will not be taking any action. Between that meeting and the December business meeting Supv Leifer would like to establish a working group to then come up with action steps, decide on the structure and funding. The board will likely release an RFP for assistance in design.

### **Future Business**


Game Farm Road Trail Section – Supv Leifer said DEC wants the town to replace the two trestles on that section. Bob Beck explained that the town sent plans in August for renovation of the existing trestles (engineered stamped plans). DEC has just responded that it is the opinion of their engineers that the trestles should be torn out and replaced with prefabricated pedestrian bridges at a cost of three to four hundred thousand dollars. The stewardship agreement with DEC states the trestles will be renovated. It is DEC property, but the town has approval to build and maintain the trail. They can do the job and make the trestles safe for pedestrians for about \$30,000. The town has grant funding for that and has successfully renovated trestles in the past. It could take years to raise funding for those pedestrian bridges and open that part of the trail. Demolishing the trestles would be an added expense. Bruno Schickel is talking with TG Miller who did the study on what needed to be done and Gary Bush who reviewed the plan. Bob Beck thinks it would be beneficial to have our engineers talk with DEC engineers.

Cl Lamb said DEC has only given the town a 3-year use agreement and that kind of investment on our part would be foolish. They need to maintain their property since they didn't give an easement. Supv Leifer said we are prepared to rehab what is there, but not invest in new structures. Matthew Marco is the DEC Region 7 Director and Cl Lamb said he would contact him.

Cl Green suggested presenting the context of the stewardship agreement and asking what they might offer in light of that, and if that doesn't lead to an offer we can live with, then calling a meeting of the DEC engineers and our engineers with an effort to convince them that we have the wherewithal to rehab those bridges as opposed to replace them. We shouldn't take an adversarial stand, but hopefully can think of a step three if we run into a wall.

The Planning Board resolution regarding restrictive covenants and a 6-month moratorium on conservation subdivisions will be on the agenda next week. Cl Lamb suggested that it be amended to be effective for six months unless the town board takes action sooner.

Supv Leifer said he has been talking with Martha Robertson and Ray Burger about what NYSEG has done with all the poles on the Ellis Tract. There are connections on Turkey Hill Road that were never a part of the plan. On Stevenson Road they only show five poles and now there are 20 or so. There are eight or more on Turkey Hill. Some of the pole replacements



they've been doing have been replacing a 35' pole with a 45' pole. The town needs to understand what those are and figure out how to have that not happen near the cemetery and figure out how permanent these other ones are.

R Burger stated the interconnections were not specified on the plans. It turns out that the requirements are a pole for a meter, a pole for a regulator and a pole for a recloser, so if anything happens with the circuit, they can shut it off. That happens on the customer side and is repeated on the NYSEG side. That's why there are six poles per interconnect.

R Burger said there are two issues going on with NYSEG, both revolving around the escalating height of their structures.

Supv Leifer said we need to figure out the regulatory side and then go to NYSEG to see what can be done. He said he doesn't want the cemetery site to turn out like this. Cornell didn't know it would look like this either. If this is a result of NYSEG requirements, we need to find out if it can be accomplished in a different way.

There being no further business, on motion made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Town Clerk