

**Sent:** Thursday, August 20, 2020 1:18 PM

**Subject:** 8/20/20: Comment re Varna zoning issue - get us out of this Groundhog Day!

Dear Dryden Town Board  
(cc to Town Planner Ray Burger and Town Clerk Bambi Avery):

I am writing with a simple request:

Please demonstrate that you respect and support the Varna Plan.  
Please adopt the amendment to Varna's zoning, so that it is in compliance with the Varna Plan.

I have watched with dismay as those outside Varna repeatedly strive to override and ignore Varna's control over its future, as expressed in the Varna Plan.  
This zoning loophole allows developers to push projects that greatly exceed the density and neighborhood character standards laid out in the Plan.

As long as this loophole exists, we will have to fight the same battle over and over and *over* again.

Each time a new, ghastly, overbuilt proposal is put before the Town that ignores the Plan, Varna residents and supportive neighbors *yet again* muster the energy to say, "No, the is not in compliance with the spirit or the specifics of the Varna Plan. Please reject it."

And each time, the Planning Department and Town Board get caught up in a years-long, tedious process of hearings and more hearings, dealing with angry developers and stalwart Varna residents.

Please end this time-wasting conflict once and for all.

Get us out of this Groundhog Day situation!  
Adopt the amendment.

With respect,

Hilary Lambert  
1676 Hanshaw Road  
Ithaca (Dryden) NY 14850

**Date:** Monday, August 10, 2020 at 9:41 PM

**Subject:** Re: please make a statement

Dear David,

Thank you for all of the work you have put into this. Feel free to submit my comments to be read at the meeting:

As a 15 year resident of the town of Dryden, I feel it is important to stay the course with the 2012 Varna Plan. This plan was well thought -out. The current expansion projects do not take into account the community as a whole. The purpose is for the developers to make a profit on their specific projects. The Varna Plan has planned expansion taking into account the desires of current residents as well as attracting new residents.

John Svensson  
516 Ellis Hollow Creek Road

**Date:** Thursday, August 20, 2020 at 11:14 AM

**Subject:** Varna Zoning

Dear members of Dryden Town Board

The members of the household residing at 97 Freese Rd strongly support the Planning Board's revision of the Varna zoning law. We wish to be on record that we are in alignment with the Town's Hamlet of Varna Community Development Plan- We understand that some development will be forthcoming , but the question is density, and the two proposals that are currently before the Board do not reflect the mixed use and "community" aspect of the Varna Plan. Thank you for reading this -Varna is a special community whose residents want to continue to retain our hamlet feeling of a special place to live. We do not want large projects interrupting our flow of life here.

Chris and Mike Kimball