

Memorandum

Date: August 19, 2020

To: Town Board

From: Ray Burger, Planning Director

Subject: Planning Department Update

Application materials and other documents for some of the items below can be found at:

<http://dryden.ny.us/>

Send public comments to planning@dryden.ny.us with project address in subject line.

Planning Department Offices open for window service: For the safety of all Town residents, the Planning Department will conduct business through a walk up window at Town Hall. Applications, complaints and inquiries are also accepted via email (planning@dryden.ny.us), phone and mail.

Comprehensive Plan Update: The community survey has been a valuable tool with over 500 submitted so far. Please take the survey and help spread the word. We will be receiving surveys until August 31. Go to Dryden2045.org to fill out a survey and inform yourself about this Town project. You can also sign up for updates or leave a comment.

Borger Station Special Use Permit (SUP) application submitted by Dominion: Dominion Energy Transmission, Inc. submitted an application for the Borger replacement project at 219 Ellis Hollow Creek Road. They propose to replace two existing turbines with more efficient new units that will reduce air emissions. A public hearing will be held at the August 20 Town Board meeting.

SUP application for public utility infrastructure at 1622 Dryden Road: First Light Fiber is applying for a SUP to locate an equipment shelter at this address. Siting this public utility infrastructure in this Rural Residential district requires a SUP. A public hearing will be held at the September 17 Town Board meeting.

Solar project at 2150 Dryden Road: Construction has begun at this site to install 10 MW of solar. The interconnect at George Road has now been designed and this amendment to the site plan will be introduced at the August 20 Town Board meeting with a public hearing to be scheduled for September.

Unsafe structure at 107 Morris Road: In order to make progress on removal of the unsafe structure at 107 Morris Road the Town is filing a motion in court. The court action was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic but a hearing is now scheduled for September 18 at 10 am in the Tompkins County Court.

Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) to hear 3 cases: The ZBA has 3 requests for variances to place accessory structures in the front yard. Their next meeting will be a remote meeting held on September 1.

Planning Department activity for TOWN for July

Totals

Building permits: 18 (2 SFH, 1 Duplex)
Zoning permits: 9
Special Use Permit Reviews: 1
Site Plan Reviews: 1
Variance reviews: 2
New businesses: 0
Fire safety inspections: 0
Building inspections: 30
Certificates of Occupancy/Compliance: 14
Subdivisions: 6
Violation notices: 1
Complaints: 3
Fire calls: 0
Training hours: 0

Planning Department activity for VILLAGE for July

Building permits: 5
Zoning permits: 2
Special Use Permit reviews: 0
Site Plan Reviews: 0
Variance reviews: 0
New businesses: 0
Fire safety inspections: 0
Building inspections: 2
Certificates of Occupancy/Compliance: 0
Subdivisions: 0
Violation notices: 0
Complaints: 5
Fire calls: 0