

**Town of Horicon  
Planning Board**

**May 20, 2015  
MINUTES**

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**Present at Meeting:** Bill McGhie, Chairperson  
Teri Schuerlein, Vice-Chair  
William Siegle  
Dan Freebern  
Georgia McMeekin, Alternate #1  
Joe Turcotte, Alternate #2

**Also Present:** Leah Everhart, Esq., Town Attorney, John Foster, Gary Scidmore, Richard Pond

**ADENDA ITEMS:** File #2015-06-BLA, Tax Map # 72.13-1-39, John Foster and Gary Scidmore  
File #2015-05-SPR, Tax Map # 36.11-1-6, Richard Pond and Katherine Ferguson

**Pledge**

Chairperson, William McGhie appointed alternate, Georgia McMeekin as a voting member in absence of Mike Raymond.

Chairperson, William McGhie called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Approval of minutes:** Teri Schuerlein made a motion to approve the minutes from April 22, 2015 as written, second by Dan Freebern. All AYES.

**New Business (continued from April 22, 2015):**

**File #2015-06-BLA  
Tax Map # 72.13-1-39  
John Foster and Gary Scidmore  
Boundary Line Adjustment to divide a jointly owned lot and join it with the  
owners' adjoining property.**

John Foster restated for the board members his proposal to divide a jointly owned lot (owned by himself and Gary Scidmore) into two six and one half (6 1/2) foot parcels and merge them to their adjoining respective properties.

Teri Schuerlein stated to Leah Everhart, Town Attorney that the deeds submitted by John Foster were not acceptable because the names on the deeds were not identical. Teri Schuerlein went on to state that this was not what was discussed at the prior Planning Board meeting. Leah Everhart stated the names not being identical would not be a problem and the County would ultimately make the decision.

Chairperson, Bill McGhie asked if there will be any vegetation cutting on this property and John Foster responded no cuttings of any kind will be done.

Bill Siegle asked John Foster for clarification on the dimensions of the parcel to be split. Bill Siegle stated that his understanding is that the parcel is a thirteen (13) foot piece of land (6 1/2 feet on one side and 6 1/2 feet on the other side) and three-hundred and seventy (370) feet in length. John Foster responded that they were the correct measurements.

Teri Schuerlein asked John Foster if there was a deed missing and John Foster then provided the Board members with copies of the formal deed of merger for himself, for review.

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Being no further questions or comments, Teri Schuerlein made a motion to deem the application complete, second by Dan Freebern. ALL AYES.

Leah Everhart, Town Attorney completed a SEQRA review with the Planning Board members on the John Foster and Gary Scidmore file. The Board members responded to each question in the negative. A negative SEQRA declaration was made and it was determined there will not be any negative environmental impacts.

After The Board members discussed and reviewed the SEQRA application Dan Freebern made a motion to declare a negative SEQRA declaration. Second by Georgia McMeekin. ALL AYES.

Chairman Bill McGhie was notified that the file needed to be sent to Warren County for review. Bill McGhie then informed the applicants that after receipt of the County Review Board the Horicon Planning Board can move forward with the approval at the June 17, 2015 Planning Board meeting. Bill McGhie stated that John Foster and Gary Scidmore should return to the next Planning Board meeting on June 17, 2015.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**                    **File #2015-05-SPR**  
    **Tax Map # 36.11-1-6**  
    **Richard Pond and Katherine Ferguson**  
    **360 East Shore Drive**  
    **Adirondack, NY**  
    **Site Plan Review for dock length of 64' where 40' is allowed.**

Chairman Bill McGhie opened the Public Hearing for the site plan review for Richard Pond's proposed dock. There was no one in attendance to speak either for or against this project; therefore, no opposition.

Being no further comments or questions, Teri Schuerlein made a motion to close the Public Hearing, second by Georgia McMeekin. ALL AYES.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**        **File #2015-05-SPR**  
    **Tax Map # 36.11-1-6**  
    **Richard Pond and Katherine Ferguson**  
    **360 East Shore Drive**  
    **Adirondack, NY**  
    **Site Plan Review for dock length of 64' where 40' is allowed.**

Chairman Bill McGhie opened a discussion for the board members to consider the proposed dock length allowance. Bill McGhie stated that he is familiar with this area of the lake and the water depth varies dramatically even within several yards because of the bottom profile of the lake; therefore, making it difficult to achieve the three (3) foot depth of water to safely dock a boat.

Teri Schuerlein stated that the dock is far enough away from the neighbors dock and is in keeping with the neighborhood in that area of the lake.

Bill Siegle restated that there will be no more than two (2) boats at a time using the dock.

Being no further questions or comments Dan Freebern made a motion to approve the dock length of sixty- four (64) feet where forty (40) is allowed. Second by Bill Siegle. ALL AYES.

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Being no further business before the Board Teri Schuerlein made a motion to adjourn the Planning Board meeting. Second by Dan Freebern. ALL AYES.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Next meeting: June 17, 2015

Respectfully submitted,  
*Terri Katsch*  
Secretary