

DRAFT
TOWN OF BENTON PLANNING BOARD
MAY 24, 2022

PRESENT: Tom Goodall; Rich Meyer; Steve Hullings; Jerry Stape, and Tom Rood.

Also Present: Glenn Quackenbush, Town Councilman; Dick Harper, Town Councilman; Tom Fulkrod, Code Enforcement Officer, and Karen Ellis, Recording Secretary.

Rood called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Hullings made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 26th meeting with the attachment of the site plan for the DeLooza's. Goodall seconded the motion. All in favor.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Fulkrod noted that he had a potential Special Use permit come in for a one-site campsite on the corner of Johnson Road and Angus Road. There was a trailer there that has a bunch of pines around it. Titus Zimmerman bought this parcel along with an entire farm. He would like to take this area and make a campsite. He put a state-approved outhouse in with a tank under it to be pumped. It passes what you need to have, but the way that our laws are written, certain things are needed to have a campground. He is not asking for a campground, so it doesn't really fit with the way our laws are written. He has brought in a portable shed that he is turning into a cabin so that if it rains when the campers are there, they can go inside. This is against what our laws say, but our laws are written for a campground, and he is looking for one camp site. The Board went through considerable discussion about the campground zoning laws in the Town of Benton. The plan is to meet with the client, and we will discuss this and come back for more discussion at the next meeting.

Rood asked Fulkrod to keep the Board posted of any upcoming trainings, as there are some that still need points.

Harper stated that as part of the Open Meetings law, a man from the Democrat Committee requested information on some of the town minutes. He pointed out that Kathy Hochul had made a regulation last fall that requires that any public entity to post minutes of the meetings within two weeks of the meeting. They can be marked as draft or unapproved, but they must be posted within two weeks. They cannot be held until approved. On the front end, the agendas must be posted within 72 hours of the meeting along with any kind of resolutions, laws and things that will be acted upon.

ADJOURNMENT:

Rood made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Goodall seconded the motion. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Ellis
Recording Secretary