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## Planning Board Meeting February 13, 2019 Minutes

**Present:** Planning Board – Mary Leahy, Michael Karashay, Gary Newkirk, Eric Johnson, Ed Quirk, Steve Hubbard, Stephen Shafer, Father Philips

**Chairperson Mary Leahy** opened the Planning Board Meeting at 6:32pm.

**Chairperson Mary Leahy** presented the minutes from the January 9, 2019 Planning Board meeting.

**Michael Karashay made a motion to table the minutes of the January 9, 2019 Planning Board meeting until March 13, 2019. The motion to table the minutes of the January 9, 2019 Planning Board meeting until March 13, 2019 was seconded by Gary Newkirk. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Stephen Shafer** presented the application for a subdivision for The Trinity Episcopal Church, 32 Church Street along with the property deed and subdivision maps. The church would like to sub divide the 4.5 acre property they own in order to sell an empty lot. The lot created would be on the north side of the property with frontage on Church Street (9W) extending back to the Esopus Creek. The lot would be approximately 1.7 acres. The property is located in the R3 district as well as the Historic District. Mr. Shafer gave a brief history of the church property. There had been a house on the empty portion since 1830 and acquired by the church in the 1950's. The house was taken down in 1962. The church is selling the property to raise money with hopes that it will remain open. Mr. Shafer stated that they realize that anything built on the newly created lot would have to be consistent with the housing in the area and the Historic Review Board's guidelines. The church would be willing to include wordage in the new deed to include reference to the historic district. The Board discussed whether or not the applicant would have to present the proposed subdivision to the Historic Review Board. The next Historic Review Board meeting is scheduled for February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. The application will be forwarded to the Ulster County Planning Board for review and comment since it is located within 500 feet of a state road.

A Public Hearing is required.

**Michael Karashay made a motion to set a Public Hearing to receive comments on the Trinity Church subdivision application for Wednesday March 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm. Eric Johnson seconded the motion to set a Public Hearing to receive comments on the Trinity Church subdivision application for Wednesday March 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm. The motion carried unanimously.**

The SEQR form had been completed by the applicant and several points were discussed. The Village will act as lead agency.

**Gary Newkirk made a motion to have the Village of Saugerties Planning Board act as lead agency for the Trinity Episcopal Church subdivision application. Eric Johnson seconded the motion to have the Village of Saugerties Planning Board act as lead agency for the Trinity Episcopal Church subdivision application. The motion carried unanimously.**

The possibility of the property being clear cut was discussed. The erosion of the land within 100 feet of the creek could occur if all the trees were removed. Deed restrictions for clear cutting are a possibility. Oversight of any future projects by Planning and Zoning Boards would be required.

**Eric Johnson made a motion to adjourn the Planning Board meeting. The motion to adjourn was seconded by Michael Karashay. Motion carried- meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm.**

**The next Planning Board meeting is March 13, 2019 at 6:30pm.**

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