

Organization Town of Champion

Board Planning Board

Date and Time Tuesday, December 13 2011 at 7:30 PM

Place Town of Champion Offices Board Room (rear of building) 10 N Broad St, West Carthage NY

Contact [Peter LaBarge](#) Planning Board Chairman

Minutes

The Town of Champion Planning Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., by Chairman LaBarge. Present were members Frances Brooks, Kathryn Smith, James Surace and Steve Eddy. Also attending were Supervisor Terry Buckley and Michael J. Richardson, Community Planning Specialist.

Chairman LaBarge made a motion to suspend the reading of the minutes from the November 8, 2011, meeting and accept them as presented. Jim Surace seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

A public hearing was held for a 5.1 acre minor subdivision by Larry Waite, North Lake Road. No one spoke in opposition to the proposal; Dennis Burgess indicated he favored the subdivision. Mr. Waite presented revised plats which list the road frontage as being in compliance with the town's zoning regulations. Mr. Waite explained that the lesser measurement was taken in the center of the road. A motion to approve the subdivision was made by Chairman LaBarge and seconded by Frances Brooks. The motion passed unanimously.

James Uhlinger inquired as to the possibility of reducing the size of the lots on Freedom Drive. Mr. Uhlinger advised that the setbacks would remain the same; however, he stated that the homes would be more saleable with smaller lots. Under the current plan the homes would have to be priced in the \$300-400,000 range. Mr. Uhlinger did not have a specific number of lots he would like reduced stating that if a purchaser could afford the larger parcel, it could remain unchanged. He also explained that Constitution Drive has been moved and lots 1, 2, 3, and 16 no longer exist. Chairman LaBarge explained that the only way this would be possible was if he obtained a variance from the zoning board of appeals or the zoning was changed. It was explained that he would have to apply for a subdivision after which the planning board would have to recommend a variance to the ZBA.

The board reviewed the site plan application for the operation of a trucking terminal on County Route 163 by Madeline Eves and Scott Shoen. Since the information requested by the board in correspondence dated November 9, had not been submitted, Chairman LaBarge made a motion to disapprove the application. The motion was seconded by Jim Surace and passed unanimously. A letter will be forwarded to the Jefferson County Planning Department as required under the provisions of Section 239m of the General Municipal Law.

A motion to adjourn was made by Chairman LaBarge and seconded by Steve Eddy. The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m. The next meeting will be January 10, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathryn Smith,
Secretary