

Minutes
Town of Essex Planning Board
Public Hearing
June 17, 2021
7:00 PM

Meeting held remotely and in person and was audio recorded with no video. Recording and minutes available at www.essexnewyork.gov.

Call to Order

Chairman Hislop opened the meeting at 7 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance: Anh Thu Cunnion, David Hislop, Gladys Person, Jonathan Pribble, Anita Shapiro, Mark Walker, Todd Goff, Renee Bruno (Secretary)

Others in Attendance: Jackie Thomas, Tina Gardner, Alan Gardner, Jim Burt, Julia Starkey, Heather Spear, Larry Barns, Nancy Dougal, Claire Lapine, Chris Depinto, Bob Harsh, Lee Maxey, Debbie Schrodt

Absent: Tom Stransky

Alternates: Karol Kempster

Tax Map #40.65-3-6.000 – Leigh Firestone, Special Use Permit Application with Site plan for change of use to pub/tavern at 2748 Essex Road, Essex.

Leigh Firestone attended the meeting in person. She explained that she plans to be open four hours a day around three to four days a week. During the winter months she would like it to be similar to a community center and possibly have a trivia or game night. She explained that no hard alcohol will be served which would avoid any issue with the church being nearby.

Anh Thu Cunnion spoke as a neighbor concerned about the safety of the children in the area. Leigh responded that she plans to be open until 9 PM Thursday, Friday and Saturday and doesn't feel it would negatively affect children in the area.

Another member of the public pointed out that there are other restaurants in town that serve alcohol without issues.

Julia Starkey, Tina Gardener, and Chris Depinto all had positive comments for the project.

Adjourn

Chairman Hislop adjourned the meeting at 7:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Renee Bruno
Secretary