



Essex Farm – The Essex Farm sign is an “off-premise” sign application and was further deliberated by the Planning Board. The Chairman read the law aloud pertaining to off premise signs.

On a motion by Chairman Van Hoven, seconded by Mr. Pribble, to approve the Essex Farm off premise sign for the remainder of the season (until after Columbus Day), subject to removal of the sign every night, the motion carries by majority vote: Aye-5 No-0 Absent-1 (Wrisley) Abstain-1 (Alexander)

**Tax Map #48.04-1-7.000** – Spirit Sanctuary – Minor Subdivision of 3 acres for a private “green” cemetery to be located on private land owned by the Eddy Foundation, Cook Road, Essex.

The Chairman advised the Board that we now have the completed survey that we required of Jamie Phillips and he further described the green cemetery project.

SEQRA: A short form EAF was completed by the applicant and made part of their application. The Planning Board conducted a SEQRA review of the EAF in accordance with the NYS DEC SEQRA law, at which time no potentially large or significant environmental impacts were noted. On a motion to deem the EAF a Negative Declaration by Chairman Van Hoven, seconded by Mr. Hislop, the motion carried by unanimous consent of the Board, Aye-6 No-0 Absent-1 (Wrisley)

On a motion to deem the application complete and set the Public Hearing for August 18<sup>th</sup> 2016, as applicant will be out of town, by Mrs. Alexander, seconded by Mr. Stransky, the motion carried by unanimous consent of the Board, Aye-6 No-0 Absent-1 (Wrisley)

**Tax Map #40.73-1-8.000** – Sarah Disney – Site Plan Review – to remove stoop on the north side of house, swap window with door (kitchen door will become kitchen window and window will become the kitchen door, and kitchen mudroom renovation, at 35 Elm Street, Essex.

SEQRA: A short form EAF was completed by the applicant and made part of their application. The Planning Board conducted a SEQRA review of the EAF in accordance with the NYS DEC SEQRA law, at which time no potentially large or significant environmental impacts were noted. On a motion to deem the EAF a Negative Declaration by Chairman Van Hoven, seconded by Mr. Hislop, the motion carried by unanimous consent of the Board, Aye-6 No-0 Absent-1 (Wrisley)

The Chairman advised the Planning Board that they may waive a public hearing at their discretion. Further, he suggested that this project was so minor that it could be one of those instances where a public hearing may not be necessary. On a motion to waive the public hearing for this minor action by Chairman Van Hoven, seconded by Mr. Walker, the motion carried by unanimous consent of the Board, Aye-6 No-0 Absent-1 (Wrisley)

On a motion to approve the application as complete and authorize the Secretary to write the permit by Chairman Van Hoven, seconded by Mr. Pribble, the motion carried by unanimous consent of the Board, Aye-6 No-0 Absent-1 (Wrisley)

**Tax Map #49.15-1-8.000** – Anne Smith for Owl Investments, LLC – SUP w/Site Plan – to turn existing greenhouse room to a screened porch with a 6’x 8’ mudroom, at 1779 Lakeshore

Road, Essex. “After the Fact”. Schelling McKinley appeared as the representative for the applicant.

SEQRA: A short form EAF was completed by the applicant and made part of their application. The Planning Board conducted a SEQRA review of the EAF in accordance with the NYS DEC SEQRA law, at which time no potentially large or significant environmental impacts were noted. On a motion to deem the EAF a Negative Declaration by Mr. Stransky, seconded by Mrs. Alexander, the motion carried by unanimous consent of the Board, Aye-6 No-0 Absent-1 (Wrisley)

On a motion by Mr. Stransky to waive the public hearing, seconded by Mrs. Alexander, the motion carried by majority vote of the Board, Aye-5 No-1 (Van Hoven) Absent-1 (Wrisley)

On a motion to deem the application complete and authorize the Secretary to write the permit by Mr. Pribble, seconded by Mr. Stransky, the motion carried by unanimous consent of the Board, Aye-6 No-0 Absent-1 (Wrisley)

**Tax Map #40.81-3-6.000** – Kevin and Maureen DeLaughter - SUP w/Site Plan – for construction of a screened enclosure over an 8’x 8.5’ area of an existing open deck at the rear of the house at 2204 Lakeshore Road, Essex.

Mr. DeLaughter described his project to the Planning Board.

SEQRA: A short form EAF was completed by the applicant and made part of their application. The Planning Board conducted a SEQRA review of the EAF in accordance with the NYS DEC SEQRA law, at which time no potentially large or significant environmental impacts were noted. On a motion to deem the EAF a Negative Declaration by Mr. Waker, seconded by Mr. Hislop, the motion carried by unanimous consent of the Board, Aye-6 No-0 Absent-1 (Wrisley)

On a motion to deem the application complete and set the public hearing for July 21, 2016, by Mr. Hislop, seconded by Mr. Walker, the motion carried by unanimous consent of the Board, Aye-6 No-0 Absent-1 (Wrisley)

**Tax Map #40.73-5-1.100** – John Mesick – SUP w/Site Plan – for a 2-car garage with workshop, woodshed and driveway extension at 290-294 School Street, Essex.

Mr. Mesick described his project to the Planning Board.

SEQRA: A short form EAF was completed by the applicant and made part of their application. The Planning Board conducted a SEQRA review of the EAF in accordance with the NYS DEC SEQRA law, at which time no potentially large or significant environmental impacts were noted. On a motion to deem the EAF a Negative Declaration by Mr. Stransky, seconded by Mrs. Alexander, the motion carried by unanimous consent of the Board, Aye-6 No-0 Absent-1 (Wrisley)

On a motion to deem the application complete and set the public hearing for July 21, 2016, by Mr. Stransky, seconded by Mr. Hislop, the motion carried by unanimous consent of the Board, Aye-6 No-0 Absent-1 (Wrisley)

**Tax Map #40.73-3-14.000** – Kate and Eric O’Hara – Special Use -Emergency  
Demolition of attached barn at the rear of the house at 7 Beggs Point Street, Essex. The Code Enforcement Officer, Doug Rock, has deemed the barn a hazard and issued his demolition permit.

There was a discussion of the demolition project. The Chair advised the Board that this project does not need Planning Board’s permit as this was deemed a hazard by Codes. On a motion by Chairman Van Hoven to concur with the decision of the Code Enforcement Officer for demolition, seconded by Mr. Pribble, the motion carried by majority vote of the Planning Board,

Aye-5 No-1 (Hislop)\* Absent-1 (Wrisley)

\*Board Member Hislop wanted the minutes to reflect his reasoning for his no vote:

The Member felt that “any action taken for immediate public safety by the Code Enforcement Officer should be presented to the Planning Board even if after the fact including statements of a qualified architect and engineer stating the property is in imminent danger to the public and cannot be secured other than by demolition.”

### **Old Business**

None

### **Report of the Chair**

None

### **Public Comment**

Cole Starkey said that he did not agree with the Code Enforcement Officer’s authority to issue demolition permits.

### **Adjourn**

On a motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Pribble, the motion carried by unanimous vote and the meeting is adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Catherine DeWolff, Secretary