

## VILLAGE OF CAPE VINCENT PLANNING BOARD

March 17, 2015

The regular meeting of the Village of Cape Vincent Planning Board was held on March 17, 2015, in the Zoning Office Room of the Village Offices. The meeting conducted by the Vice Chair, Richard Hodge, opened at 7:13 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members: Jeffrey Brooks  
Jeffrey Herpel - Excused  
Richard Hodge  
Willard Kirchgessner  
David Wiley – Absent

Other: Perry Golden, ZEO  
There were no visitors.

### Old Business:

#### Approval of the Minutes:

Board members reviewed the minutes of the meeting of January 20, 2015. Mr. Kirchgessner made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mr. Brooks seconded and carried; all voting aye (3-0).

### New Business:

The board discussed the Jefferson county planning department comments on our new zoning law. Everyone was in favor of accepting the changes suggested by the county.

- Remove the definition of lot line adjustments
- Remove the language added to section 6.2 mentioning lot line adjustment and any other mention of lot lines in the proposed law
- After some discussion on town law language on open area talking about impervious land, we decided that our definition should only discuss land that had no buildings or structures on it. Therefore our definition of Open space is that portion of a lot that has no buildings or structures on it.

**R Hodge moved the above language, Bill Kirchgessner seconded it and all vote in favor.**

The ZEO mentioned that more questions have come in regarding keeping animals in the village. Chickens are most common, but he has heard questions on goats as well and in the past even horses were mentioned. Perry could not find any definitive law except possibly an old village law. Nothing in New York State general laws or Ag and markets laws. We will try to bring this up at the Tug Hill conference.

There was also a discussion on garbage at the side of village streets. Some is put out very early in the week and in some cases the empty cans are left out for days at a time. This might come under a littering law, but we did not know if the village has such a law.

**Communications: None**

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015, at 7 p.m.

**Adjournment:** At 7:40 p.m., with no other business, the Vice Chair motioned to adjourn. Mr. Brooks seconded. All voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Hodge  
Acting Planning Board Secretary