

Town of Austerlitz
Planning Board Meeting
March 3, 2016

In attendance : Chairman James Engel, Susan Geel, Deborah Lans, Sec C Mondel

Absent: Richard Madonia, Marie Meehan

Meeting called to order: 7:05 .pm

Motion to approve minutes, February 4th meeting. Susan Geel, Seconded: Deborah Lans

Approved by all.

Motion to approve special meeting minutes, Feb. 17th. Deborah Lans, Second: Sue Geel.

Approved by all.

New Business

Site Plan Application submitted by Edward Denham of HJB Holdings

Mr. Denham, a forester, whose business takes place in NY, MA and VT, is a consultant to Serge Bervy of Austerlitz. Mr. Denham, provided several drawings to describe the extent of the clearing that has taken place on 7.3 acres of 83.7 acres of wooded land in the East hill section of Austerlitz. A cease and desist order is in place on the clearing; the site plan application has been submitted to make land ready for sale.

The drawings of the cleared section made from satellite photos and hand held cameras at coordinates of the cleared section indicate a newly dug pond, close to state property, a driveway, and 2 cleared sections of land off East Hill Road in Austerlitz. The drawings lack the detail needed to assess environmental impacts.

Sale of the land indicates possible future residential development and a site plan which requires a public hearing and a survey map in order to have the site plan review assessed correctly. The information required takes in forestry report, topography, hydrology, etc.

Mr. Denham was advised to contact Mary Davis for assistance as to the requirements cited, the survey map, contacting neighbors for the public hearing and to establish a possible date for a next meeting.

Motion was adjourned at 7:40

Respectfully submitted C. Mondel