

Minutes  
Austerlitz Planning Board  
May 3, 2018

Present: Chairman Jay Engel, Deborah Lans, Perry Samowitz, Lee Tilden

Absent: Richard Madonia

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to approve April Minutes: Perry Samowitz, Second, Deborah Lans. All present approved.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: Susan Bandy- Site Plan Review for Animal Sanctuary on Downing Road  
Engineer, Pat Prendergast from Stockport described the location of Susan's home, the shed to hold a crematorium, and its distance from the road and borders of property surrounding Downing Rd.

Susan Bandy introduced her guest, Karen Walker, present owner of a crematorium in Stockport. Ms Walker is to retire and Susan bandy wishes to purchase and relocate that business to Austerlitz. Questions of Board members were answered as to odors, none; exhaust from the furnace, only heat maze, storage of the animals, ashes from animals returned to owners or vets on the same day as burning ; traffic to and from, not excessive. The business is DEC regulated. Susan intends to have both a license and certification before opening.

The Planning Board obligation is to ascertain that this site plan is one congruent with the Austerlitz zoning code.

There are presently 23 animals in care on Susan' property which Susan refers to as a sanctuary. This care is that described and allowed under kennel service . That description indicates that accessory services for that business are allowed under special use permit. The crematorium service would be considered an accessory service. This description was acceptable to Ms Bandy.

The following motion was made by Lee Tilden.

**Motion:** That the present submitted site plan be amended to request a special use permit for a Kennel. All present approved.

This amended site plan will be presented for approval at the next Planning Bd. meeting on June 7<sup>th</sup>. 2018, as well as a public hearing prior to the meeting for Board approval. Susan Bandy will obtain, from clerk, Mary Davis, a copy of letter to be sent to adjoining neighbors for a June 7th public hearing.

Motion for meeting to adjourn made by Deborah Lans, seconded by Perry Samowitz, All present approved  
Meeting adjourned at 8:45

Respectfully Submitted, Constance Mondel