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UNAPPROVED

**PINE PLAINS PLANNING BOARD MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2016**

**7:30 PM**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Vikki Soracco, Acting Chair  
Michael Stabile  
Steve Patterson  
Kate Osofsky  
Ken Mecciarello  
Jane Waters, Alternate sitting for Forelle  
Peter Salerno, Alternate sitting for Grassi

**ABSENT:** John Forelle, Chair  
Louisa Grassi

**ALSO PRESENT:** Drew Weaver, Codes Enforcement Officer  
Sarah Jones, Liaison to the Town Board  
One member of the public

**POPP TIMBER HARVEST:** This was a preliminary meeting for a proposed special use permit for a timber harvest for property located at 316-329 Mt. Ross Road. Carl Popp was present. Popp explained that he enrolled in the NYS Forest Program. It is a ten-year project which renews each year and is managed by a forester who works with DEC. A management plan must be in place and DEC oversees to make sure everything is done properly. Popp has hired a forester. DEC requires over-mature trees be removed at a higher number than the zoning law allows. This is done when the ground is frozen to minimize damage. Popp has 273 acres and a 92 acre parcel will be harvested. Popp explained that he has not yet hired a logger and the permits required by Dutchess County for the road would be obtained by the logger. He obtained a letter from the Pine Plains Highway Superintendent for the

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entrance that involves the Town road. Part I Short EAF was received. A public hearing was set for Wednesday, September 14 at 7:30 pm.

**GRASSI TIMBER HARVEST:** This was a preliminary meeting for a proposed special use permit for a timber harvest for property located at 215 Woods Road. Eric Hanson of Meltz Lumber was present representing the applicant. He explained that Grassi is doing the same thing that Popp is. She is harvesting 90-100 acres out of 150 total. He would be using Woods Road to Route 199 for the truck route and this would take place in late summer or early fall. A letter from the Town of Pine Plains Highway Superintendent was received with regard to the entrance on Woods Road. The Board requested that Part I of a Short Form EAF be completed and one was given to Hanson. A public hearing was set for Wednesday, September 14 at 7:45 pm.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Patterson made a motion to accept the July 2016 minutes as submitted; second by Waters. All in favor. Motion carried.

Waters made a declaration that she had given a donation to the Memorial Hall project. She wanted this on record before the project came back to the Planning Board.

Osofsky made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 pm; second by Patterson. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Nancy E. Proper  
Secretary

Vikki Soracco  
Acting Chair