STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF NIAGARA

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

TOWN OF PORTER

The regular meeting of the Town of Porter Zoning Board of Appeals was held on January 23, 2020, at 7:00 PM, in the Town Hall Auditorium located at 3265 Creek Road, Youngstown, NY 14174.

	Date	Present	<u>Absent</u>
Jackie Robinson, Chairman	01/23/2020	yes	
Terry Duffy	01/23/2020		yes
Bryan Meigs	01/23/2020	yes	
Marshall Hibbard	01/23/2020	yes	
Steve Zappy	01/23/2020	yes	
Atty Michael Dowd	01/23/2020		yes
Peter Jeffery, Code Enforcer	01/23/2020	yes	

Chairman, Jackie Robinson called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 7:00 pm.

Chairman Robinson asked for approval of the December 12, 2019 minutes. A motion was made by Bryan Meigs and seconded by Marshall Hibbard to approve the minutes. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Chairman Robinson stated that she needed a motion for the Vice Chairman. Bryan Meigs made a motion to nominate Terry Duffy as Vice Chairman and was seconded by Steve Zappy. Chairman Robinson as if there were any other nominations. None. All in Favor. Motion Carried to nominate Terry Duffy as Vice Chairman.

Chairman Robinson asked if there were any items on the February Agenda because she was not going to be present at the February meeting as well as Bryan Meigs and Marshall Hibbard. It was discussed with CEO, Peter Jeffery, and it was decided that there will be no February meeting because there would not be a quorum. The variance for Shennen Hannam for a fence will be listed on the March agenda.

It was decided that there will be no February 2020 meeting for the Zoning Board as there would not be a quorum.

There was a very information discussion on the solar meeting that was held by the Town Board. There were approximately 80 to 100 people at this meeting. Chairman Robinson stated that it was extremely well run. CEO, Peter Jeffery stated that there was a six month moratorium on the solar projects. He thought that there should be a committee of about seven people for this project – possibly two residents who own property in the Town; a member of the Town Board, Planning Board and Zoning Board and CEO Peter Jeffery.

Another topic that was discussed was the tree service. CEO, Peter Jeffery stated we need to start addressing this issue. He indicated that he was going to ask the Planning Board to starting considering this also. He also suggested that you go through the Zoning Districts to see what districts you don't want this in; minimum lot size; minimum coverage; maximum pieces of equipment, screening requirement; hours of operation. You should put together a law with reasonable limits or perimeters.

Marshall Hibbard also brought up about the special use permits that have expired. Are we going after these people? CEO Jeffery stated he is addressing this issue.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm by Member Bryan Meigs and was seconded by Marshall Hibbard. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 26, 2020.

Sincerely,

Nancy Smithson Secretary, Zoning Board of Appeals