

# Massena Town Planning Board

MASSENA, NEW YORK

## MINUTES FOR REGULAR OCTOBER MEETING

**Date/Time:** October 20, 2022

**Place:** Town Hall  
Building 60  
Main Street  
Massena, NY 13662

**Present:** Vance Fluery, David Grant, Shawn Burke, Jerry Fregoe

**Absent:** Scott Rogers

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*Minutes of Regular Meeting September 15<sup>th</sup> 2022:*

The board reviewed the draft meeting minutes of the September 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**MOTION** made by Jerry Fregoe, to accept and approve the Planning Board Minutes from the previous meeting as presented. Shawn Burke seconded the motion. The vote was: YES-4, NO-0 at 5:01 PM.

### SitePlan Review

**Jason Smith** - Non-Agriculture Keeping of Livestock

Site address:

299 State Highway 37C (Tax Map #11.001-1-3)

Zoned: Neighborhood Agriculture

Massena, NY 13662

**Intended use of Land and/or Building:** Jason is requesting approval to keep a small amount of chicken hens on the property for personal use.

- He originally had 8 chickens, 4 roosters and 4 hens. Jason explained that he got rid of the roosters so all he has now are 4 hens.
- Jason explained that the chickens are contained in a fenced in area and that they do not roam around the property.

- When asked Jason indicated that he may increase the numbers of chickens by a few more but nothing unmanageable.
- David Grant asked Jason if he has any intention of selling chicken eggs or meat for profit. Jason said that the chickens were for his own consumption. He would not be selling any products produced by chickens.
- There was much discussion about the property layout and the proximity to neighbors.
- Jerry Fregoe asked if he has any plans to add different animals to the property and he indicated, “not at this time”.
- There was some discussion whether this site plan review was necessary, and Vance Fluery spent some time reading the Town of Massena building code and referenced the phrase “Nonagricultural keeping of animals”. There was discussion on the interpretation of such a phrase.

**MOTION** made by David Grant to accept the site plan for keeping non-agricultural chickens on the property with a conditional requirement. The conditional requirement would be that Jason Smith would have to keep the chickens contained to his property only and that the chicken(s) would not be able to free range onto nearby properties. Jerry Fregoe seconded the motion. The vote was: YES- 4, NO-0 at 5:14 PM.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** made by David Grant to adjourn the meeting; Jerry Fregoe seconded the motion. The vote was: YES-4, NO-0 at 5:24 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David W. Grant, Secretary

