

**Town of Cambria  
Planning Board Meeting  
February 26, 2018**

The regular monthly meeting of the Planning Board of the Town of Cambria was called to order by William J. Amacher, Chairman, at 6:00 PM. Everyone was welcomed to the meeting, followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

**Members Present:** William J. Amacher  
Roger Schreader, Sr.  
Garret Meal  
Michael D. Sieczkowski

**Members Absent:** Gerald E. Kroening  
Douglas Mawhiney

**Also Present:** Matt Foe, Councilman, Acting Town Board Liaison  
Joe Ohol Councilman, Town Board Liaison, Zoning Board  
Gary Billingsley, Attorney

A motion was made by Mr. Meal and seconded by Mr. Sieczkowski to approve the minutes of the January Meeting as presented, unanimously approved, motion carried.

An up-dated Roster of Officials for the Town of Cambria was distributed to all members along with an up-dated Sewer Fee Schedule.

The public hearing notice was read as it appeared in the town newspaper.

**New Business**

**PSP-2017-010      David Cloy**  
**Site Plan            4269 Burch Road, Lockport, NY 14094**  
**SBL# 77.00-1-29.12**  
**Ground Mounted Solar Array**

**Public Hearing Notice**

For a 19.80 KW ground mounted solar array installation upon said premises pursuant to Local Law No. 2 of the year 2017, which amended Local Law No. 1 of the year 2015 Regulation Solar Energy Systems in the Town of Cambria.

**Cloy Site Plan continued-****Public Hearing Open**

Mr. Edbauer, 4715 Plank Road stated that he owns ground mounted solar arrays and was glad to see more in the town and was curious to see what happens.

**Public Hearing Closed**

Melanie Hamilton representing Montante Solar 2760 Kenmore Avenue, Tonawanda, NY 14150 was present at the meeting. Montante Solar is the company that will be installing the proposed solar arrays. According to Ms. Hamilton Mr. Cloy would like to install two solar arrays. Each array would be 35.23 square feet; the arrays will be identical, and the total square feet for both arrays would be 70.46. There will be 15 feet between each array. Ms. Hamilton further stated that after further discussion of proposed layout, Mr. Cloy has decided that he would prefer that the solar arrays be placed to one side in his backyard; center placement of the proposed solar arrays would limit the recreational use of the backyard area. Mr. Cloy's property is 11.20 acres, with 280 feet of frontage. The newly proposed site would require variance approval from the Zoning Board of Appeals. Therefore this item will need to be tabled pending Zoning Board review of any variance request.

The proposed solar arrays would be owned by Mr. Cloy and serviced by TM Montante annually; there is a 20 year warranty for panels and inverters. TM Montante provides an annual inspection of modules and equipment and provides full monitoring of solar arrays if there is an issue they will know about it within seconds.

According to Ms. Hamilton a 20 degree tilt is typical on a solar array in this area. Solar arrays don't require cleaning in this area; Mother Nature takes care of that. There haven't been any issues with snow it slides right off and they find the solar arrays to be very productive in this area.

Ms. Hamilton will plan a site visit in which board members can physically go and view this proposed site, she will speak to Mr. Cloy the home owner and determine feasibility.

A motion was made by Mr. Schreder and seconded by Mr. Meal to table this site plan until April 16, 2018 Planning Board Meeting, to allow this site plan time to go before the Zoning Board of Appeals for a Variance application.

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**Old Business**

Nothing at this time.

**Reports:**

**Chairman-** Nothing to report at this time.

**Building Inspector-** Nothing to report at this time.

**Attorney-** Nothing to report at this time.

**Board Members-** Nothing to report at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Sieczkowski and seconded by Mr. Schreader to adjourn the meeting at 6:35PM.

The next meeting of the Planning Board will take place Monday, March 19, 2018 at 7:00PM.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Melinda Olick

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