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10	SITE PLA	N EXTENSION
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12	Ті	te: June 25, 2025 me: 7:00 p.m.
13	Pl	ace: Town of Newburgh Town Hall
14		1496 Route 300 Newburgh, NY 12550
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2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: The Town of
3	Newburgh Planning Board would like to
4	welcome you to their meeting of the 25th
5	of June 2025. This evening we have
6	eleven agenda items, three of which are
7	public hearings. Ken Mennerich will read
8	the notice of hearing when we reach that
9	point in the meeting.
10	We'll start the meeting now with
11	a roll call vote starting with Dave
12	Dominick.
13	MR. DOMINICK: Present.
14	MR. MENNERICH: Present.
15	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Present.
16	MR. BROWNE: Present.
17	MS. CARVER: Present.
18	MR. WARD: Present.
19	MR. CORDISCO: Dominic Cordisco,
20	Planning Board Attorney.
21	MS. CONERO: Michelle Conero,
22	Stenographer.
23	MR. HINES: Pat Hines with MHE
24	Engineering.
25	MR. CAMPBELL: Jim Campbell, Town

1	Gasland Petroleum, Inc.
2	of Newburgh Code Compliance.
3	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: At this point
4	we'll turn the meeting over to Dominic
5	Cordisco, Planning Board Attorney.
6	MR. CORDISCO: Please rise for the
7	Pledge of Allegiance.
8	(Pledge of Allegiance.)
9	MR. CORDISCO: If you would kindly
10	silence your cellphones.
11	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: The first item
12	of business this evening is Gasland
13	Petroleum, project number 21-23. It's a
14	site plan appearing before us this
15	evening for a one-year extension. The
16	project is located on 42 South Plank Road
17	in a B Zone. It's being represented by
18	LaBella Engineering. Chris Lapine is
19	representing the project.
20	MR. LAPINE: Good evening. My name
21	is Christopher Lapine with LaBella
22	Associates.
23	We're here this evening as a result
24	of the applicant failing to obtain their

building permit in a timely fashion.

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2 Their site plan was signed on June 30th 3 of 2023. They had a two-year period in 4 order to secure a building permit. 5 were under the impression, based upon 6 Section 74.2 of the Town Code, that a 7 demolition permit and an electrical 8 permit would satisfy as a building permit because it's classified under the 9 10 definition of a building permit. 11 were informed that that's not the case. 12 They were advised by the Building 13 Department to come back here this evening 14 to seek an extension of the approval and 15 also to discuss the phasing of demolition 16 that has taken place on the building. 17 When we were before the Board last 18 time, the intent had always been and was 19

time, the intent had always been and was to operate the existing gas station while the new building was being constructed.

In order to do that, they had to take 10 feet off the rear of the building and then stabilize the rear. They worked with Central Hudson to relocate the electric so that they are still

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2	operating	the c	gas	station	and a
3	portion of	the	con	venience	store

To give you kind of an overview of what this would look like, this is where the existing building is. Here's where the new building is. They've taken 10 feet off the back of this, which allows for adequate room to do the form work, foundation work and then start the construction of the building.

Their goal is to have the building erected and so they limit their shutdown time so when it comes time to knock down this existing building down and do all the site improvements in the front of this.

The overall layout is going to remain the same from what you approved, which is back to this picture here.

They have this intermediate phase where they're keeping a portion of the existing building while they build the new building. We're here

1	Gasland Petroleum, Inc.	6
2	to clarify that for the Planning	
3	Board so that everybody understands	
4	there's a phasing component to this.	
5	The last item that we were asked	
6	to do was to show a pad, which is	
7	adjacent to where we had our approved	
8	AC unit pads, for the it's called	
9	the make-up area, which is, once	
10	again, adjacent to the AC units.	
11	It's shielded on this side by, we	
12	have kind of a paver area.	
13	We're hoping that these	
14	clarifications are to the satisfaction	
15	of the Planning Board. It is our	
16	intent to continue to build what was	
17	approved, it's just that there may	
18	have been some miscommunication in	
19	terms of the phasing and how this	
20	work was being conducted.	

CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Dominic Cordisco,
Planning Board Attorney, what is the
action before the Planning Board this
evening?

MR. CORDISCO: You're being

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2	requested to extend the existing site
3	plan approval for an additional one-year
4	period. The original one was valid for
5	two years. They're within that time
6	period. It has not expired.

It's a little unusual in the sense that they did get a signed site plan within that time period, but they've also been pursuing a building permit, as Chris had mentioned. They're working through those issues, as they just discussed.

Nonetheless, time would be -- it would be wise for the applicant to request this one-year extension on the site plan as they continue to resolve these issues.

CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Who would they resolve these issues with?

MR. CORDISCO: That would be with the Building Department.

MR. LAPINE: Correct.

CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Questions or comments. Jim Campbell, Code Compliance.

MR. CAMPBELL: It definitely was a miscommunication as far as phasing of

1	Gasland Petroleum, Inc.
2	the project, especially when our
3	department received the Central Hudson
4	disconnect for the electric. We took
5	it as I believe this whole Board
6	took it as that the building was
7	coming down and a new building was
8	being built.
9	As far as the existing building,
10	there's a long laundry list of items
11	that need to be addressed before they
12	can even consider operating the
13	existing building.
14	MR. LAPINE: I'm assuming that list
15	has been provided to the applicant.
16	MR. CAMPBELL: That was done in the
17	plan review. They did submit an
18	application for the permit to operate
19	that building.
20	Also, they never received the
21	building permit for the new building.
22	The last review of items submitted was
23	done on January 8, 2024.

MR. LAPINE: There was a demolition

permit granted, though. Correct?

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2	MR. CAMPBELL: There was a
3	demolition permit issued for the removal
4	of the building.
5	MR. LAPINE: I think that's what I
6	was understanding as to where some of the
7	confusion may have lied, because the
8	section of your code, 71.2, defines the
9	building permit as a construction permit,
10	demolition permit or other permit that
11	authorizes the performance of the work.
12	Probably their delay partly is
13	because they should have gotten it done
14	quicker, but they also assumed, per that
15	section of the code, that a demolition
16	permit was classified as a building
17	permit.
18	MR. CAMPBELL: You're dealing with
19	two different things. One is the

extension.

MR. LAPINE: That's why we're here, to seek the extension.

MR. CAMPBELL: My main concern is the safety of that existing building, --MR. LAPINE: Correct.

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2	MR. CAMPBELL: which there is a
3	long laundry list of items to be
4	corrected. You just can't saw cut ten
5	feet off the building.
6	MR. LAPINE: I perfectly understand

MR. LAPINE: I perfectly understand.

I understand that. I'm not the architect of record, but that should have been taken into account when the plans were submitted.

MR. CAMPBELL: Another of my concerns would be that a lot of these contractors up here are not used to working in confined spaces. This would be like a New York City site. They like to spread out. How is this whole site going to work?

MR. LAPINE: I can give you a specific example of a site where they've done something similar. It's at the intersection of Route 82 and Route 376 in the Town of East Fishkill. That entire building was built similar to this. There's an existing building in front of it which was cut in half and then

1 Gasland Petroleum, Inc.

25 this along.

2	they built right behind it. Once
3	that building was completed and they
4	had about probably five feet of room
5	between the two, they shut the site
6	down for a period of time to do the
7	site work up front. It's viable.
8	It's been done before. They self
9	perform their work under their
10	construction company. It's a similar
11	group of individuals who performed
12	that same activity at the other
13	location.
14	MR. CAMPBELL: The third page in
15	that packet that was handed to you, I
16	believe you got it, that was the plan
17	review that was done on their last
18	submittal for using the existing
19	building. They're not supposed to have
20	anybody in that building.
21	MR. LAPINE: This is the first time
22	I'm seeing this.
23	MR. CAMPBELL: That's all I've got.
24	MR. LAPINE: I'll obviously pass

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2	MR.	CAMPBELL:	They've	already
3	received	it.		

MR. LAPINE: I guess one of the

other questions that came up was there

may be a need to go to the Zoning Board,

I think in your letter here, because the

variances in question may have expired

when the building permit wasn't obtained.

MR. CAMPBELL: At work session we got an interpretation from the attorney. He didn't feel that was necessary.

CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Dominic Cordisco, Planning Board Attorney, would you speak on that.

MR. CORDISCO: There's a provision that's contained as a standard condition in the Zoning Board of Appeals' decision that says that the variance itself, once granted, does not expire as long as the applicant is actively pursuing the application. In this case, even though there's been a time delay as it relates to the building permit, the fact is that the original approval granted by the

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You're now seeking an extension of it, so you're still pursuing the approvals. You haven't abandoned them. They haven't expired. As a result, the provision that

is contained in the Zoning Board's decision controls rather than the

9 provision that's in the Town Code.

MR. LAPINE: Thank you.

11 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you.

12 Pat Hines with MH&E.

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13 MR. HINES: As was discussed
14 earlier, the project is really before the
15 Board tonight for an extension of the
16 approval from 30 June 2025 until 30 June
17 2026.

I would suggest that the building issues and constructibility issues be handled by Code Compliance as they are currently. They are kind of outside the scope of the Planning Board review at this point.

I think the action before the Board would be the consideration of that one-

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3 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Any questions 4 or comments from Board Members? Dave 5 Dominick.

6 MR. DOMINICK: Nothing further.

7 MR. MENNERICH: No questions.

CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: No questions.

MR. BROWNE: Not a question, just a comment. I agree with the extension part. The other thing about your original intent to do the building the way you're describing it, it's never been done in this Town that way. You're aware of that. It's new to us. We've never seen it. Code Compliance is strictly the folks involved with that.

MR. LAPINE: Understood.

If I may clarify one other item. I think this is for Code Compliance. Did the pad for the air uptake unit get approved as part of this approval? That was a request conveyed to our office. We had two concrete pads for the AC unit, but we didn't show a concrete pad for the

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2	air uptake unit. We were asked to
3	include that as part of this approval.
4	I know this is an extension. This is
5	what's been conveyed to me from the
6	applicant. I'm just here seeking
7	that approval as well, and clarification
8	that the approval tonight also will
9	MR. CAMPBELL: You're looking for
10	an extension and an amendment to the
11	plan?
12	MR. LAPINE: I was just informed
13	about this on Monday. It was conveyed to
14	me that you're looking for the Board to
15	see where the pad location is in terms of
16	the building. Is that an accurate
17	assessment from the applicant?
18	MR. CAMPBELL: I do not know that.
19	I'm not the inspector that does all the
20	reviews as far as the building permit
21	applications.
22	MR. LAPINE: This was conveyed on
23	Monday to them. I had just the original
24	letter and then this came on Monday.

That's why I drew it up.

1	Gasland Petroleum, Inc.
2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Pat, would you
3	consider it to be a field change? It's
4	not part of our dialogue tonight.
5	MR. HINES: A small change like
6	that could be handled as a field change
7	as the project progresses.
8	MR. LAPINE: As I said, we were
9	advised to show it to the Board tonight.
10	That's why I'm showing it to you.
11	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Lisa Carver,
12	any comments?
13	MS. CARVER: Nothing further.
14	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: John Ward.
15	MR. WARD: No comments.
16	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Having heard
17	from Dominic Cordisco, Planning Board
18	Attorney; Jim Campbell, Code Compliance;
19	Pat Hines with MH&E, would someone move
20	for a motion to grant a one-year
21	extension for Gasland Petroleum, project
22	number 21-23, from June 30, 2025 through

MR. MENNERICH: So moved.

MR. BROWNE: Second.

June 30, 2026.

1	Gasland Petroleum, Inc. 17
2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion
3	by Ken Mennerich. I have a second by
4	Cliff Browne. Can I have a roll call
5	vote starting with Dave Dominick.
6	MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
7	MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
8	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
9	MR. BROWNE: Aye.
10	MS. CARVER: Aye.
11	MR. WARD: Aye.
12	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you.
13	MR. LAPINE: Thank you so much. I
14	apologize for the inconvenience.
15	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: It's all part
16	of business.
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18	(Time noted: 7:10 p.m.)
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3	CERTIFICATION
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6	I, MICHELLE CONERO, a Notary Public
7	for and within the State of New York, do
8	hereby certify:
9	That hereinbefore set forth is a true
10	record of the proceedings.
11	I further certify that I am not
12	related to any of the parties to this
13	proceeding by blood or by marriage and that
14	I am in no way interested in the outcome of
15	this matter.
16	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
17	set my hand this 3rd day of July 2025.
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2	STATE OF NEW YORK : COUNTY OF ORANGE TOWN OF NEWBURGH PLANNING BOARD	
3	X In the Matter of	
4	In the Matter of	
5	FUCHECK SUBDIVISION (2021-31)	
6	26 Tarben Way	
7	Section 6; Block 1; Lots 11 & 12 AR Zone	
8	X	
9 LO	PUBLIC HEARING FIVE-LOT SUBDIVISION	
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12	Date: June 25, 2025 Time: 7:10 p.m.	
13	Place: Town of Newburgh Town Hall	
14	1496 Route 300 Newburgh, NY 1255	0
15	BOARD MEMBERS: JOHN P. EWASUTYN, Chairman	
16	KENNETH MENNERICH CLIFFORD C. BROWNE	
L 7	LISA CARVER	
L 8	DAVID DOMINICK JOHN A. WARD	
19	ALSO PRESENT: DOMINIC CORDISCO, ESQ.	
20	PATRICK HINES JAMES CAMPBELL	
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22	APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE: RAHUL VERMA	
23	X	
24	MICHELLE L. CONERO Court Reporter	
25	845-541-4163 michelleconero@hotmail.com	

2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: The Planning
3	Board's second item of business this
4	evening is the Fucheck Subdivision,
5	project number 21-31. It's a public
6	hearing on a five-lot subdivision located
7	on 26 Tarben Way in an AR Zone. Verma
8	Engineering Consulting is representing
9	the applicant.

Ken Mennerich will read the notice
of hearing.

MR. MENNERICH: I want to first address the public hearing process that we use here. I'd like to explain how the Planning Board manages public hearings as to have an orderly and productive hearing.

The project applicant or representative for the project will give an overview of the project. The Planning Board Chairman will then open the hearing for questions or comments on the project. At this point you can raise your hand and be recognized by the Chairman. Please give your first name before asking a question or commenting. The applicant or the

2	Planning Board technical representatives
3	may respond to your questions. Once
4	you have finished, you need to wait
5	for all persons that want to speak to
6	have a chance. Once everyone has had
7	an opportunity to speak, the Chairman
8	will recognize people that want to
9	speak again. The Planning Board
10	welcomes your comments and input on
11	the issues pertaining to the projects.
12	Thank you for that input.

"Notice of hearing, Town of
Newburgh Planning Board. Please take
notice that the Planning Board of the
Town of Newburgh, Orange County, New
York will hold a public hearing
pursuant to Section 274-A of the New
York State Town Law and Chapter 163-8J
of the Town of Newburgh Code on the
application of Fucheck Five-Lot
Subdivision, project 2021-31. The
project proposes a five-lot residential
subdivision of two existing parcels.
One of the existing parcels contains

2	a single-family residential structure.
3	The combined lot size is 16.4 plus or
4	minus acres. Access to the subdivision
5	is a proposed private road from Tarben
6	Way, an existing Town roadway. All
7	lots will be served by onsite wells
8	and subsurface sanitary sewer disposal
9	systems. The project site is located
10	in the Town's AR Zoning District.
11	The project is known on the Town Tax
12	Maps as Section 6; Block 1, Lots 11
13	and 12. A public hearing will be
14	held on the 25th day of June 2025 at
15	the Town Hall Meeting Room, 1496
16	Route 300, Newburgh, New York at 7 p.m.
17	or as soon thereafter, at which time
18	all interested persons will be given
19	an opportunity to be heard. By order
20	of the Town of Newburgh Planning
21	Board. John P. Ewasutyn, Chairman,
22	Planning Board Town of Newburgh.
23	Dated 6 June 2025."
24	MR. VERMA: Again, Rahul Verma
25	representing the applicants, Ray and Dawn

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To walk through the project very quickly for the benefit of the public, the existing Tarben Way cul-de-sac is here. There is an existing easement for a private road to be constructed to this point. The road will be extended to a cul-de-sac to allow access to the back part of the property.

The existing private residence is located here. Currently it has a gravel driveway leading to it from the Tarben Way cul-de-sac. At the property line it changes to an asphalt drive and a parking area for this house.

There will be, as you mentioned, one, two, three, four, five lots here, with the associated driveway improvements, all serviced by septic systems and private wells, and then a stormwater management area located in this corner of the existing parcel.

FRANK: We're on 12 Tarben Way.

I just want to see for sure if it's

2	where I think it is. I was lot 6.
3	The maps I got when I bought the
4	house just two and a half, three years
5	ago, I received eleven pages of maps
6	of areas and lot numbers. Nothing is
7	said about lot 11. Here this mentions
8	lots 11 and 12. My map of only three
9	years ago shows only lot 12, nothing
10	about lot 11. Can you pinpoint lot 11
11	on that?
12	MR. DOMINICK: Sir, what's your
13	name for the record?
14	FRANK: Frank.
15	MR. HINES: I just want to clarify.
16	The lots that he's referencing are tax
17	lot numbers, not lots on the original
18	subdivision. They're different from what
19	the original subdivision had lots
20	numbered, as you said, 1 through 12.
21	When he's saying lots 11 and 12, those
22	are the existing tax lots for the two
23	parcels.
24	ANN: My name is Ann. Is that
25	subdivision at the very end off of the

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- 3 MR. HINES: Yes.
- 4 MR. VERMA: Yes.
- 5 ANN: We just wanted to be sure
- 6 where it was.
- 7 MR. VERMA: I can't speak for the
- 8 maps that you have. I will tell you that
- 9 currently this house is built on this
- 10 large lot here and this is an adjacent
- 11 parcel that's unimproved that will then
- 12 be subdivided.
- 13 FRANK: Can you show that first --
- MR. VERMA: To answer your question,
- ma'am. As you go to the end of Tarben
- Way, there's the cul-de-sac there,
- there's the driveway for this house
- there, and then very near it, maybe 50
- 19 feet beyond it, is your daughter's
- 20 driveway?
- 21 MR. FUCHECK: It's the first
- 22 cul-de-sac. There's a white mailbox
- there.
- MR. VERMA: I believe there's a new
- 25 house that's been built in this area

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- 2 here, if I remember correctly.
- 3 ANN: Thank you.
- 4 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Good questions,
- 5 Ann and Frank. Good questions.
- Any additional questions:
- 7 MS. ALI: My name is Karen Ali. I
- live at 20 Tarben Way which is in front
- 9 of the home that you speak of. There is
- 10 Federal, I was told, wetlands behind
- me, --
- MR. VERMA: Sure.
- MS. ALI: -- adjacent to your
- 14 current home there. What will happen
- 15 there?
- MR. VERMA: With the wetlands?
- MS. ALI: Yes.
- 18 MR. VERMA: Nothing will happen.
- 19 All of the development -- I'm not sure if
- you can see it from there, but there's an
- 21 offset line here. Everything has been
- built outside of that wetland area.
- 23 Since it's a Federal wetland,
- there's no buffer requirement. As part
- of the site design, I added some extra

letter was from?

Τ	Fucheck Subdivision 21
2	space just to preserve some of that
3	habitat between the proposed home and the
4	existing wetland in that area.
5	MS. ALI: My home takes up those
6	wetlands. My home butts up to that. My
7	property line currently is in front of
8	where they put grass. It's all in my
9	lot.
10	MR. VERMA: So I can clarify, are
11	you this lot here?
12	MS. ALI: Yes.
13	MR. VERMA: Very good.
14	MS. ALI: Correct. I also received
15	a letter saying there was a proposed land
16	change or new lot lines, that my lot
17	would then be reduced in size.
18	MR. VERMA: Not for this project.
19	MS. ALI: I received a letter
20	MR. VERMA: I'm not disputing that.
21	Do you recall
22	MS. ALI: for this project. It
23	says that on it.
24	MR VERMA: Do vou recall who that

- MS. ALI: I have a copy of it.
- 3 MR. VERMA: Okay. That would be
- 4 helpful. I'm not aware of that letter.
- I don't know if the Planning Board knows,
- 6 or Pat.
- 7 MR. HINES: No.
- 8 MS. ALI: John P. Ewasutyn.
- 9 MR. VERMA: That's the Planning
- 10 Board.
- 11 MR. HINES: That would have been
- the public hearing notice for this
- meeting.
- MS. ALI: It's a proposed change to
- 15 the project proposing that they change
- 16 between the adjacent parcels to reduce my
- 17 lot.
- MR. HINES: No.
- MR. VERMA: I can just answer that.
- 20 It was Karen?
- MS. ALI: Yes.
- MR. VERMA: Sorry. No, it's not
- reducing your lot. I'm not disputing
- 24 what the letter says. I can walk you
- 25 through this. It's using the existing

2	lot line. Your existing north lot line
3	will remain the same. The road, the
4	easement for that private road is beyond
5	your lot line. All the improvement will
6	be done within the bounds of that
7	easement. That does not encroach onto
8	your lot purposefully. It makes a bend
9	and goes away. Your backyard lot line
10	that goes into the wetland area there,
11	again, remains the same. That parcel is
12	owned by the applicant's daughter and
13	son-in-law and none of that is changing.
14	Their frontage there will remain in the
15	exact same spot. All the changes are
16	being done to subdivide out the lot that
17	the applicant intends to build a home on,
18	and then the other lots on the other
19	parcel in the back corner from you to
20	subdivide for these homes.
21	MS. ALI: This letter was sent
22	falsely. Okay.
23	MR. VERMA: I can tell you that
24	your lot is not decreasing.

CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Frank, we have

2	to	allow	oth	ner	people	to	speak	who
3	hav	en't	had	the	e opport	uni	Lty.	

MR. WARREN: Lynn Warren. I don't know what lot I have here. It's 30 or something. 30.

MR. VERMA: You're over here?

MR. WARREN: Here's my thing. When I bought this property, I bought just a little under 20 acres for my daughters to split it in two, put two houses on it. It was a nice little cul-de-sac, a nice little area, and I want to keep it that way. That's why I spent a lot of money developing this property. It was not cheap. I ended up buying another 7 acres behind my daughter to again protect my investment, protect my grand kids growing up there. It's a nice little cul-de-sac. It's one of the nicest ones in the Town of Newburgh.

I was born and raised in the Town of Newburgh. There's no street in the Town of Newburgh that I haven't been on, okay. I want to keep it that way.

2	I've met with the Fuchecks. I'd
3	love to have them as neighbors, all
4	right. When I bought it there was a two-
5	lot subdivision supposed to be up there
6	on the road. Now all of a sudden I'm
7	being told there's going to be a five-lot
8	subdivision up there. I'm all for it.
9	Put your house up there. Do what you've
10	got to do. I didn't go and try to take
11	20 and make it five or whatever.
12	My thing is, when you start going
13	let's just be very transparent here.
14	I've talked to anybody that wants to
15	listen. Now we're talking about putting
16	a private road in. A lot of money. A
17	lot of money. I can see if you're
18	putting up one house, you're going to
19	have a little driveway to service the
20	house. A private road is costly. Now
21	I'm saying to myself, how do we fund this
22	private road. I'm not questioning
23	anybody's ability to pay for anything.
24	I'm just saying, how do we fund it? We
25	have three extra lots. Who do we sell

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2	these lots to? Who is going to be my
3	daughters' neighbors? Who is going to
4	build these houses? These are all
5	questions. I know that's not your
6	problem, but it's something I'm thinking
7	of to protect my investment. For me, I'm
8	done. I don't care about the money.
9	It's my kids' investment, what I got for
10	my grand kids and children going forward.
11	So that's my only concern with this, and
12	it's a concern, you know.
13	I met with the Fuchecks and I said
14	you know, I signed off on my
15	right-of-way to the road. As long as I
16	don't have to put money into it, I don't
17	need it, I'm fine with it.
18	I'm really concerned with, you
19	know, who is going to build these other
20	three houses. Pretty much everybody
21	as I look around and see the faces that
22	we know from the Town of Newburgh, I
23	think pretty much everybody in here has

been on that road. It's a beautiful

little road. Everybody waves to you.

2	It's really, really nice. I'm sure they
3	will only add to the value of it as
4	homeowners there. I'm just worried about
5	what happens to the other three houses.
6	I mean, we all know, let's say the right
7	word, there's some people around building
8	houses that I don't want them building
9	next to what I've got my investment in.
10	I know we can't control that. I would
11	like for the Town Board to take that into
12	consideration somehow.

Listen, the Fuchecks are honorable people. They definitely are. I also know that, you know, when things get short, things get tough, we'll do what we have to do to make it happen. Let me sell these three lots to these individuals over here and just put them up one, two, three.

My only other thing, I think I know the answer but I would like it on the record, that if this does get passed, there's only one single home going on each one of these lots, not a two family.

2	I don't want to hear mother/daughter. I
3	don't want to hear any of this stuff.
4	Mother/daughter, we all know that's to
5	get an apartment that nobody knows about.
6	It is what it is. I've been around a
7	long time and I don't want it happening
8	in my I just don't want it to happen.
9	I want to make sure it does not happen.
10	How do we make sure it doesn't happen?
11	Once you pass it, it's out of your hands.
12	Who controls that? Who controls it? Who
13	controls it? Who does? I have to go by
14	again, honorable people, but, I mean,
15	once they sell the lots, how do I know
16	what they're going to put up there? Is
17	there a certain size house that's going
18	to be spec'd on these properties to keep
19	our value up? Is that in there anywhere?
20	MR. VERMA: The first part of your
21	statement, I can't speak to that.
22	MR. WARREN: No disrespect, Rahul.
23	I love you. I want to make sure my
24	family is protected.
25	MR. VERMA: That first part I can't

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- 3 The second part, I can tell you
- 4 that these are currently proposed per the
- 5 zoning as single-family homes.
- I believe, Ray, we had talked about
- 7 2,000 square foot homes.
- 8 MR. FUCHECK: 2,000.
- 9 MR. VERMA: They kind of fit in
- 10 with the character of what's on Tarben
- 11 Way, plus or minus.
- MR. HINES: The septic system
- designs are for four bedrooms.
- MR. VERMA: Correct.
- MR. WARREN: That helps. I'm just
- 16 worried about it.
- 17 MR. HINES: The lot sizes for the
- lots on top are not permitted for a two-
- 19 family house.
- MR. VERMA: Correct.
- MR. WARREN: None of them that are
- 22 proposed could put a two-family house on
- there?
- MR. HINES: The one lot could. The
- 25 larger balanced parcel.

2	MR. FUCHECK: There will be no
3	two-family house there.
4	MR. WARREN: I believe you're
5	telling me what
6	MR. HINES: The balance of those
7	lots don't have the lot area for a two-
8	family residential structure. The septic
9	systems are designed for a four-bedroom
10	max.
11	MR. VERMA: What the site I know
12	you're familiar with the area. With the
13	site the way that it is, the septic
14	systems are pretty much maxed out to
15	where they can fit in.
16	MR. WARREN: For the record, I
L7	would love to see the Fuchecks up there.
18	They're great people. I'm worried about
L 9	the other three houses. I'm just worried
20	about my investment, you know. I know
21	that that's the chance you take, I get
22	it, by approving something like this.
23	Just reverse a little bit, that's
24	the reason why I took the chance and put

the money I did into my 20 acres, spent

2	the money there saying I'll be protected.
3	There's two houses up there. I buy the
4	other land up behind it, we're good.
5	We're good. My kids are good. My grand
6	kids can live there and play. There's so
7	many kids on the street. The Fuchecks
8	have grandchildren, too. I'm just
9	concerned about who else is going to be
10	living on the street.
11	There's two other lots going on
12	right now. I'm going to buy both lots
13	just so they can sit there. I don't want
14	nobody there. I know that's crazy, but
15	I'm concerned.
16	That's it. Thank you for listening.
17	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Dominic Cordisco,
18	Planning Board Attorney, do you want to
19	add anything to that?
20	MR. CORDISCO: I understand the
21	concern. As a property owner it's
22	something that comes up from time to time
23	before the Planning Board.
24	As the applicant's representative

mentioned, this Planning Board, and any

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2	planning board to be honest, doesn't have
3	control over the issues, as you
4	acknowledged. There aren't conditions
5	that you can attach associated with it.

The lots are being designed for single- family residences, not for two family, so that one question can be answered.

The other issues are just beyond --MR. WARREN: Not to interrupt you, Dominic. My thing is, I say to myself maybe if I had known that going into it, maybe I would have bought a different piece of property. Now that I've invested my money into it, who is protecting me? I've already did what I was supposed to do. It was not easy doing what I had to do, Board of Health and all this. It was ridiculous. I did it. It cost me a lot of money to do it, but I did it because I wanted my grand kids to grow up and be in a nice little development. I'm not saying it's not going to still be that development. Like

2	you just said, there's nothing to protect
3	my investment now that I put my hard
4	earned money into it. What happens now?
5	Honestly, I mean, I'm not naming
6	names, but the other people, I know them
7	all, a lot of people are young couples
8	and they bought there for the same exact
9	reason I did, that there's not going to
10	be traffic going up and down the
11	cul-de-sac, it's a nice little place
12	where they can raise their kids. I want
13	to try to make sure it stays that way.
14	I'm not trying to offend anybody.
15	I'm not trying to hurt anybody in the
16	future with what they want to do. I just
17	also want to protect my future with my
18	kids, what's going to happen.
19	I just really wanted to be heard.
20	Hopefully this is going to be taken
21	seriously and we can really think this
22	through.
23	MR. CORDISCO: The thing about
24	planning boards, if I may, is that the
25	planning board, unlike a zoning board of

2	appeals which has a great deal of
3	discretion in deciding whether or not to
4	grant variances to allow things to happen
5	in neighborhoods and whether or not it
6	fits into a neighborhood, the planning
7	board's review is really restricted to
8	whether or not the proposal meets the
9	code requirements and all technical
10	issues and environmental issues are
11	addressed. Beyond that, once an
12	applicant meets those thresholds with
13	what's laid out in the code, there's just
14	not the discretion to say well, we think
15	this is changing this neighborhood and so
16	as a result we're not going to approve
17	it. In fact, they would be opening
18	themselves up to legal liability if they
19	were to do that.
20	MR. WARREN: So let's learn from me

going forward. Before I buy any property, it really doesn't matter what it says on the deeds because they can be changed. Even though you're told that it can't be changed, it can be changed.

2	MR. CORDISCO: I don't know who
3	told you that it couldn't be changed.
4	MR. WARREN: I get it. Trust me,
5	I'm learning. That's the reason why I
6	went into it, no problem, this will be
7	great, you know.
8	Like I said, I don't want to keep
9	them from living there. Even going
10	forward, five houses, is it really that
11	many houses? Not really, you know what I
12	mean. I don't know, you know.
13	MR. CORDISCO: I understand.
14	MR. WARREN: I'm sorry. Go ahead.
15	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: The lady in the
16	back.
17	MS. WARREN: My name is Elizabeth
18	Warren. I have a question. Who owns the
19	property going off of Tarben Way? Where
20	is the road going to go into, the private
21	road that you're going to have to do?
22	MR. VERMA: This private road?
23	MS. WARREN: Yeah.
24	MR. VERMA: So that is going on to
25	the adjacent property. That's where the

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2	right-of-way is granted for access to
3	this point. That right-of-way actually
4	continues back further to
5	MS. WARREN: So they are going to
6	have access coming in Tarben Way?
7	MR. VERMA: Yes.
8	MS. WARREN: Over my 30 Tarben Way?
9	MR. VERMA: No. I'm not sure where
L O	30 is.
11	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: 30 is next
12	to 20.
13	MR. FUCHECK: That's a right-of-way
L 4	MS. WARREN: There won't be cars
15	going in?
16	MR. WARREN: There's going to be
17	well, I don't know how many cars. Ten
18	cars. I don't know.
L 9	MS. WARREN: Where is the driveway
20	going to start for that?
21	MR. VERMA: It's going to be where
22	the existing dirt road is.
23	MR. WARREN: Right where Fucheck's
24	driveway is now.

MR. FUCHECK: Where my daughter's

no --

2	driveway goes in, that's the road.
3	MS. WARREN: The shale road. So
4	it's before Kiana's house, Lynn?
5	MR. WARREN: Yes, that would be
6	before Kiana's house.
7	I'm going to start my other
8	daughter's house in the spring and I was
9	concerned about that.
10	MR. VERMA: That's the one that's
11	right here?
12	MS. WARREN: It doesn't touch any
13	of the property?
14	MR. WARREN: No. That's why I'm
15	okay with that one hundred percent.
16	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Frank, do you
17	have any additional comments?
18	FRANK: I think it's been satisfied
19	in a subsequent conversation.
20	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Additional
21	questions or comments from the public?
22	MS. ALI: I just want to confirm
23	that my lot is not going to change.
24	MR. VERMA: Correct. There is
25	no

2	MS. ALI: I just want that on the
3	record for some sort of moment where
4	MR. VERMA: I will tell you, with
5	this proposal, there's no change to your
6	lot by the line there's a lot line and
7	the two lots behind you.
8	MS. ALI: I'm talking about the
9	road that's being created. That's my
10	home.
11	MR. VERMA: Correct. Your home is
12	right here.
13	MS. Ali: I'm kissing cousins. I'm
14	right there.
15	MR. VERMA: Understood. The
16	right-of-way goes from your top property
17	line into the adjacent lot, not into your
18	lot.
19	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Additional
20	questions or comments from the public?
21	ANN: I think we're all concerned
22	about the things Lynn is concerned about,
23	that the character of our Tarben Way is
24	going to change. I know you don't have
25	control over that, but it's a concern to

2	all of us who live there.
3	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I'll turn the
4	meeting over now to the Board Members.
5	Dave Dominick.
6	MR. DOMINICK: Nothing additional.
7	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Ken Mennerich.
8	MR. MENNERICH: No questions.
9	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Lynn, are you
10	talking about deed restrictions or are
11	you talking about people restrictions?
12	MR. WARREN: I was told when I
13	bought the property that I have, that
14	that particular right-of-way would only
15	be able to get to by certain properties
16	such as mine, the other one was the one I
17	bought up top and then the Fuchecks.
18	There was only there could only be two
19	lots up there because it couldn't be a
20	private road or something. You couldn't
21	build a private road off there, it had to
22	be a driveway that would have two houses
23	come off.
24	I don't want to be the guy that
25	squashes this for them. I'm just

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2	concerned, that's all. I believe that,
3	you know, if Mr. Fucheck was saying Lynn,
4	I'm going to build all five houses, I
5	would feel much more comfortable.
6	After we say yes, who is going to
7	take these houses over? What kind of job
8	are they going to do?
9	Ann and Frank, they're just great
10	people. It's a great little street. I'm
11	telling you, it's probably one of the
12	nicest little cul-de-sacs in this area.
13	I just want to keep it that way. I'm not
14	saying they're not going to keep it that
15	way. Trust me, I get it. We don't know
16	who is going to be there after. I know
17	you don't have a crystal ball.
18	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: It's not the
19	size of the home you're talking about,
20	it's the potential new homeowner?
21	MR. WARREN: Pretty much. I know I
22	can't control that. I get it. You do
23	worry. You do worry, you know. It's
24	such a nice development. You don't have
25	to worry about you just don't have to

2	worry, you know. Everybody respects
3	each other. They go up and down slow,
4	everybody waves. It's like Maybury or
5	something. It's just nice. You don't
6	have that anymore. Again, I believe
7	they're going to be a part of it. I
8	repeat myself. My apologies. I just
9	worry what's going to happen down the
10	road. That's all. I don't know.
11	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: You can't say
12	anything right now. The only reason why
13	I say that, I like to keep order to the
14	meeting. Right now the meeting is open
15	to discussion from the Planning Board
16	Members. I made a statement. I had a
17	comment. Now the next in line is Cliff
18	Browne. We'll get back to you.
19	MR. BROWNE: I don't have anything
20	additional.
21	I appreciate your presentation.
22	Thank you.
23	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Lisa Carver.
24	MS. CARVER: No. Thank you for
25	everyone's comments.

2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: John Ward.
3	MR. WARD: Thank you very much.
4	I'm happy to hear all the neighbors
5	communicating together, understanding
6	what's what with the project. Thank you.
7	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Mr. Fucheck.
8	MR. FUCHECK: We bought this
9	property and I plan on building a high-
10	end home up there. My daughter built a
11	high-end home up there. I don't plan on
12	letting the four lots that I do sell go
13	to somebody that's not going to build a
14	high-end home.
15	I will work with you, Lynn.
16	MR. WARREN: I believe you a
17	hundred percent.
18	MR. FUCHECK: We will make sure
19	they're nicer homes. I don't want the
20	development to go bad. I like it back
21	there. Our grandchildren live there. My
22	wife will not let the grandchildren I
23	can guarantee you that.
24	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Do you remember

the first home that was built on Tarben?

2	MR. WARREN: The first one on the
3	right?
4	MR. FUCHECK: I think it was
5	theirs.
6	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: It was a rather
7	small home. I remember the home on the
8	right-hand side. A cute house. I
9	remember that. As the subdivision
10	developed, the homes became greater in
11	size and the whole area changed. When
12	Pat Tarsio built the subdivision, if you
13	remember that, Tarben Way took many, many
14	years, but I believe is Tarben Way a
15	private road or a Town road?
16	MR. WARREN: A Town road now.
17	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you.
18	Pat Tarsio put his heart and soul
19	into getting this approved. There were
20	exchanges, if you remember, may his soul
21	rest in peace, with Gus Jukakus. We're
22	talking history. Again, it started out
23	to be a private road which developed into
24	a Town road. There were years that went
25	into it. As all things in life, you're

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2	right, it was a beautiful piece of fruit
3	and people invested, the homes grew and
4	they grew and they grew. If this
5	character or this thread continues on, I
6	can't guarantee you anything. I would
7	say that you're in the right place at the
8	right time only because I know the
9	property. I do know that.
LO	I remember when you were working on
11	that road and I asked you to and you said
12	yes, I would, at my own expense, I'll
13	improve the stonewall on the entryway on
L 4	the left. Do you remember that?
15	MR. WARREN: Yup.
L 6	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: That had
L 7	collapsed. You have put a lot of your
18	own time and effort into that road.
19	MR. WARREN: The residents put a
20	lot of money into that road to keep it
21	nice.
22	Listen, I believe he's going to do
23	it nice. I just want to have my voice
24	heard. By all means, I don't want to
25	hold no one back from doing what they

2	need to do in life. I just want to be
3	sure to the best of what you can do as a
4	Board. Obviously after it's passed we
5	can't. I don't want you not to pass it
6	because I don't want to do that to the
7	Fuchecks. They want to live up there and
8	do that and they want to live out their
9	dream. My grand kids are a mile up the
10	road. I'm blessed. They're there all
11	the time. I just worry about the other
12	few houses. I wish there was something
13	we could do, but there's not.
14	I don't want to take anyone else's
15	time up.
16	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I admire you.
17	You're a success story. You started out
18	in 1983. Correct?
19	MR. WARREN: Who?
20	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: You.
21	MR. WARREN: It's not about me.
22	Come on. Listen, no one loves the Town
23	of Newburgh more than me.
24	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: You've been in
25	this business since 1983. Look where you

1	Fucheck	Subdivision

2	are today. We have to have faith in
3	life.
4	MR. WARREN: The Fuchecks have been
5	here forever. Old people are putting
6	money into the Town. He can live
7	anywhere he wants. He chooses to be
8	here. That's where I want to be. Let's
9	keep it nice. I'm sure he will.
10	Thank you for listening. That's
11	all. Thank you, guys.
12	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I'll turn it
13	over to Code Compliance, Jim Campbell.
14	MR. CAMPBELL: I have nothing
15	additional.
16	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Pat Hines with
17	MH&E.
18	MR. HINES: Procedural matters, a
19	private road access and maintenance
20	agreement will be required. Those
21	agreements should incorporate provisions
22	for the long-term maintenance of the
23	stormwater facilities as well as the
24	roadway.

Security for the private road and

1	Fucheck Subdivision
2	stormwater improvements will be required
3	to be posted prior to stamping the maps.
4	Cost estimates will need to be
5	prepared for each of those, the private
6	road and stormwater, and they will be
7	submitted to my office. We will
8	subsequently submit those to the Town
9	Board for approval.
10	I had a comment regarding the
11	private road name requiring Town Board
12	approval. That was approved Monday night
13	as Cabo Court.
L 4	We had a couple of technical items
15	from the June 2025 meeting that need to
16	be addressed.
17	There's a cross-grading easement on
18	the maps as notes. Dominic Cordisco
19	should weigh in on the appropriate notes
20	on the map and whether a separate cross-
21	grading easement is required. I believe
22	there were some consent forms that may or
23	may not be required.
24	With that, those are the

outstanding procedural comments we have.

2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Pat Hines,
3	Dominic Cordisco, I'm not sure if we came
4	to a SEQRA determination on this project.
5	MR. CORDISCO: Not yet.
6	MR. HINES: We have not.
7	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you. So
8	let's procedurally go through the steps.
9	Are there any additional questions
10	or comments from the public?
11	(No response.)
12	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Would someone
13	make a motion to close the public hearing
14	on the Fucheck Subdivision, project 21-31,
15	for a five-lot subdivision.
16	MS. CARVER: So moved.
17	MR. BROWNE: Second.
18	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion
19	by Lisa Carver. I have a second by Cliff
20	Browne. Can I have a roll call vote
21	starting with Dave Dominick.
22	MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
23	MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
24	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
25	MR. BROWNE: Aye.

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Т	Fucheck Subdivision
2	MS. CARVER: Aye.
3	MR. WARD: Aye.
4	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Can we be
5	advised by either Pat Hines or Dominic
6	Cordisco as far as declaring a negative
7	declaration for the Fucheck Subdivision
8	to close out that step in the process.
9	MR. CORDISCO: That would be the
10	appropriate next step.
11	MR. HINES: The applicants have
12	submitted a long form EAF for the project
13	which the Board has reviewed.
14	A stormwater pollution prevention
15	plan has been prepared.
16	My office has reviewed the subsurface
17	sanitary sewer disposal design as well as
18	the private roadway and found those to be
19	in order.
20	We did discuss the wetlands
21	extensively during the proposal review.
22	This project has been before the Board
23	for many years. Those wetlands have been
24	delineated by a wetland consultant and

have been avoided, so there is no impact

1	Fucheck Subdivision 56
2	to the wetlands.
3	The existing culvert crossings on
4	the driveway are utilized for the private
5	roadway.
6	We would recommend a negative
7	declaration.
8	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Having heard
9	from Pat Hines with MH&E and Dominic
10	Cordisco, Planning Board Attorney with
11	Drake Loeb, would someone move for a
12	motion to declare a negative declaration
13	on the Fucheck Subdivision.
14	MR. DOMINICK: I'll make the motion.
15	MR. MENNERICH: Second.
16	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion
17	by Dave Dominick. I have a second by Ken
18	Mennerich. Can I have a roll call vote
19	starting with Dave Dominick.
20	MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
21	MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
22	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
23	MR. BROWNE: Aye.

MS. CARVER: Aye.

MR. WARD: Aye.

2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Procedurally
3	again, the conditions of approval?
4	MR. CORDISCO: Yes. Mr. Chairman,
5	I just want to touch on one thing that
6	came up a bit tonight as well as had beer
7	previously addressed by the applicant.
8	In connection with the improvements to
9	the right-of-way to make it into a
10	private road, that required the written
11	consent from the other owners along that
12	right-of-way, which the applicant did
13	submit to us back in April. That
14	actually would have been a condition of
15	the approval, but it's been satisfied
16	previously.
17	The other conditions that you
18	should consider would be, as Pat had
19	mentioned, the fact that there will be a
20	new private road access and maintenance
21	agreement that would be only applicable
22	to the maintenance of the is it Cabo
23	Court?
24	MR. HINES: Yes.
25	MR. CORDISCO: They will share

2	amongst themselves only for the new lots
3	that are created. No one else will be
4	responsible for maintaining Cabo Court.
5	We need that road maintenance agreement
6	to be provided. It could be a condition
7	of the approval.

The applicant will also need to post the security for the private road improvements as well as the stormwater improvements. That security has to be posted prior to the stamping of the maps.

There needs to be cost estimates for the private roadway and stormwater facilities.

Also, all of the outstanding engineering comments have to be addressed prior to the signing of the plans.

Since no recreational facilities are being proposed, it would be appropriate for the Board to impose a recreation fee in accordance with the Town's schedule. In this case there are essentially four new lots that are being created, and so my recommendation would

1	Fucheck Subdivision 59
2	be a rec fee for those four new lots.
3	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: The individual
4	lot fee for one lot is?
5	MR. HINES: 2,000.
6	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: \$2,000?
7	MR. HINES: Yes.
8	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: That will be a
9	total of \$8,000 to cover the cost of the
10	recreation fee.
11	MR. CORDISCO: Yes.
12	MR. HINES: The only other
13	condition is the NYS DEC construction
14	SPDES permit prior to stamping the maps
15	as well.
16	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Are there any
17	questions or comments from the Planning
18	Board Members before we move for a motion
19	to grant the Fucheck Subdivision final
20	approval subject to the conditions
21	presented by Planning Board Attorney
22	Dominic Cordisco?
23	MS. CARVER: No.
24	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: There being no

final questions, would someone move for

2	that	motion.

- 3 MR. VERMA: Before you do that, can
- I just ask Pat a question?
- 5 Pat, you want the NOI filed first
- 6 with the DEC?
- 7 MR. HINES: That way it's done so
- 8 it doesn't get forgotten. We require
- 9 that.
- 10 MR. VERMA: I just wanted to make
- 11 sure. Thank you.
- 12 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: For the record,
- the acronym, we'll call it, that you just
- 14 discussed, for the audience can you
- 15 explain what that is?
- MR. VERMA: I apologize. The NOI
- is a notice of intent to construct and
- 18 operate the stormwater management
- 19 practices per the approved plans.
- 20 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you.
- There's a motion on the table.
- 22 Would someone move for that motion.
- MR. WARD: So moved.
- MR. DOMINICK: Second.
- 25 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion

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           by John Ward. I have a second by Dave
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            Dominick. Can I have a roll call vote
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            starting with Dave Dominick.
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                 MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
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                 MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
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                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
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                 MR. BROWNE: Aye.
                 MS. CARVER: Aye.
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                 MR. WARD: Aye.
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                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you all.
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                 (Time noted: 7:45 p.m.)
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3	CERTIFICATION
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6	I, MICHELLE CONERO, a Notary Public
7	for and within the State of New York, do
8	hereby certify:
9	That hereinbefore set forth is a true
10	record of the proceedings.
11	I further certify that I am not
12	related to any of the parties to this
13	proceeding by blood or by marriage and that
14	I am in no way interested in the outcome of
15	this matter.
16	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
17	set my hand this 3rd day of July 2025.
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2		YORK : COUNTY OF ORANGE WBURGH PLANNING BOARD
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4	In the Matter of	
5	GERA	ACI SUBDIVISION (2025-03)
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7		rozen Ridge Road 5; Block 1; Lot 86.2 AR Zone
8		X
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10		BLIC HEARING LOT SUBDIVISION
11		Date: June 25, 2025
12		Time: 7:45 p.m.
13		Place: Town of Newburgh Town Hall 1496 Route 300
14		Newburgh, NY 12550
15	DONDO MEMDEDO.	TOUN D. EMACUEVN Chairman
16	BOARD MEMBERS:	JOHN P. EWASUTYN, Chairman KENNETH MENNERICH CLIFFORD C. BROWNE
17		LISA CARVER DAVID DOMINICK
18		JOHN A. WARD
19	ALSO PRESENT:	DOMINIC CORDISCO, ESQ. PATRICK HINES
20		JAMES CAMPBELL
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22	APPLICANT'S REPRE	ESENTATIVE: CARMEN MESSINA
23		X HELLE L. CONERO
24	Co	ourt Reporter
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2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: The third item
3	of business this evening is a public
4	hearing. It's the Geraci Subdivision,
5	project number 25-03. It's a public
6	hearing on a four-lot subdivision located
7	on Frozen Ridge Road. It's in an AR
8	Zone. It's being represented by Messina
9	Associates.

MR. MENNERICH: "Notice of hearing, Town of Newburgh Planning Board. Please take notice that the Planning Board of the Town of Newburgh, Orange County, New York will hold a public hearing pursuant to Section 274-A of the New York State Town Law and Chapter 163-8J of the Town of Newburgh Code on the application of Geraci Four-Lot Subdivision, project 2025-03. The project proposes a four-lot residential subdivision of an existing 14.3 plus or minus acre parcel of property. Lot 1 will contain an existing residential structure while lots 2 and 3 are proposed for residential development. Lot 4 is a residual parcel which will not

2	be proposed for residential use at this
3	time. All lots will have access from
4	Frozen Ridge Road. All lots will be
5	served by onsite wells and subsurface
6	sanitary sewer disposal systems. The
7	project site is located in the Town's AR
8	Zoning District. The project is known on
9	the Town Tax Maps as Section 6; Block 1;
10	Lot 86.2. A public hearing will be held
11	on the 25th day of June 2025 at the Town
12	Hall Meeting Room, 1496 Route 300,
13	Newburgh, New York at 7 p.m. or as soon
14	thereafter, at which time all interested
15	persons will be given an opportunity to
16	be heard. By order of the Town of
17	Newburgh Planning Board. John P.
18	Ewasutyn, Chairman, Planning Board Town
19	of Newburgh. Dated 6 June 2025."
20	MR. MESSINA: I'm Carmen Messina,
21	I'm the engineer and land surveyor for
22	this project.
23	What he read was pretty much the
24	whole story about this.

I would like to add that the lot

2	that has the existing house needed two
3	variances, the side line variance and the
4	front yard variance, which we received
5	from the Zoning Board. We've noted below
6	the title block here the variances that
7	we received.
8	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Is there anyone
9	in the audience that has any questions or
10	comments as far as the four-lot subdivision
11	that we have in front of us this evening?
12	Please raise your hand and give your
13	first name.
14	(No response.)
15	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Let the record
16	show that there's no public comment at
17	this time.
18	I'll turn the meeting over to Dave
19	Dominick, Planning Board Member.
20	MR. DOMINICK: Nothing further.
21	MR. MENNERICH: No questions.
22	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: No comment.
23	MR. BROWNE: Nothing additional.
24	MS. CARVER: Nothing further.
25	MR. WARD: Nothing additional.

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2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Jim Campbell
3	with Code Compliance.
4	MR. CAMPBELL: Nothing additional.
5	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Pat Hines with
6	MH&E.
7	MR. HINES: We had a couple of
8	comments, one of which was the
9	outstanding comments from the June
10	comment letter be addressed. Since these
11	comments were issued, I received a memo
12	from Mr. Messina identifying how each of
13	those were addressed.
14	We noted that the project received
15	several variances. Those variances have
16	now been noted in the bulk table.
17	Approval of the driveway easement
18	in favor of lot 3 across lot 4 is
19	required. If Dominic doesn't have that
20	yet, that would be a condition of
21	approval.
22	The project is identified as only
23	disturbing 0.87 acres which is below the
24	1-acre threshold, so no stormwater SPDES
25	permit is required from the DEC. It's

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2	important that the project stay under
3	that threshold or a permit would be
4	required.
5	We've reviewed the subsurface
6	sanitary sewer disposal systems and found
7	those to be acceptable.
8	With that, we have no outstanding
9	comments.
10	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I think I asked
11	you, Jim. Do you have any comments?
12	MR. CAMPBELL: I have no comments.
13	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Have we made a
L 4	SEQRA determination on this?
15	MR. CORDISCO: No, sir.
16	MR. HINES: No.
17	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Are there any
18	additional questions or comments from the
19	public?
20	(No response.)
21	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Would someone
22	move for a motion to close the public
23	hearing on the four-lot subdivision for
24	Geraci, project number 25-03.

MR. MENNERICH: So moved.

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2	MS. CARVER: Second.
3	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion
4	by Ken Mennerich. I have a second by
5	Lisa Carver. Can I have a roll call vote
6	starting with Dave Dominick.
7	MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
8	MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
9	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
10	MR. BROWNE: Aye.
11	MS. CARVER: Aye.
12	MR. WARD: Aye.
13	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Now can we
14	bring up the action of the SEQRA
15	determination.
16	MR. HINES: The applicants have
17	submitted an environmental assessment
18	form for the project. The wetlands on
19	the site were delineated by DEC
20	personnel, however the wetlands are
21	located outside of the "urban area" which
22	would have brought them under their
23	jurisdiction. Based on the January '25
24	changes, this project is located further
25	north in Newburgh where it is not in the

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1	Geraci Subdivision 7
2	urban area regulated by that.
3	There are no other significant
4	environmental impacts identified.
5	There are no threatened or
6	endangered species.
7	The project complies with the Tree
8	Ordinance in that the only trees on the
9	site proposed to be removed are former
10	orchard trees that are in pretty rough
11	shape. The Board has made previous
12	determinations on projects that
13	agricultural trees are not under the
14	purview of the Tree Preservation
15	Ordinance.
16	With that, we would recommend a
17	negative declaration.
18	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Having heard
19	from Pat Hines with MH&E recommending to
20	the Board that we declare a negative
21	declaration on the Geraci Subdivision,
22	would someone move for that motion.
23	MR. BROWNE: So moved.
24	MR. WARD: Second.

CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion

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2	by Cliff Browne. I have a second by John
3	Ward. Can I have a roll call vote
4	starting with Dave Dominick.
5	MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
6	MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
7	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
8	MR. BROWNE: Aye.
9	MS. CARVER: Aye.
10	MR. WARD: Aye.
11	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Motion carried.
12	Planning Board Attorney Dominic
13	Cordisco, can you give us the conditions
14	of approval for the Geraci Subdivision.
15	MR. CORDISCO: Yes. I did receive
16	a draft of the driveway easement
17	maintenance agreement which I've
18	reviewed. There are no changes proposed
19	to that draft. It will need to be,
20	obviously, recorded simultaneously with
21	the filing of the plat when it's time to
22	file the plat.
23	The conditions are addressing any
24	outstanding engineering comments, but I
25	believe that those comments have already

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2	been addressed. That's a standard
3	condition included in all of the approval
4	resolutions.
5	As well as paying for the
6	recreation fees for the new lots. My
7	apologies. My brain froze up.
8	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: If it's \$2,000
9	per every new lot, then the rec fee
10	dollar amount comes out to, I believe,
11	\$8,000?
12	MR. CORDISCO: It would actually be
13	for three new lots.
L 4	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you. I'm
15	glad we brought that up. Thank you.
16	Having heard the conditions of
17	approval presented by Planning Board
18	Attorney Dominic Cordisco, would someone
19	move for a motion to grant conditional
20	approval to the Geraci Subdivision.
21	MR. DOMINICK: I'll make the
22	motion.
23	MR. WARD: Second.
24	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion

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            vote starting with John Ward.
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                 MR. WARD: Aye.
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                 MS. CARVER: Aye.
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                 MR. BROWNE: Aye.
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                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
                 MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
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                 MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you.
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                 MR. MESSINA: Thank you.
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                 (Time noted: 7:55 p.m.)
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3	CERTIFICATION
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6	I, MICHELLE CONERO, a Notary Public
7	for and within the State of New York, do
8	hereby certify:
9	That hereinbefore set forth is a true
LO	record of the proceedings.
11	I further certify that I am not
12	related to any of the parties to this
13	proceeding by blood or by marriage and that
L 4	I am in no way interested in the outcome of
15	this matter.
16	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
L 7	set my hand this 3rd day of July 2025.
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2		YORK : COUNTY OF ORANGE BURGH PLANNING BOARD
3	In the Matter of	X
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5		MELISSA MENENDEZ 2025-11)
6	` 5	ngs Hill Road
7		; Block 1; Lot 63.22 R-1 Zone
8		X
9	DIID	LIC HEARING
10		OT SUBDIVISION
11		Doho: Turo 25 2025
12		Date: June 25, 2025 Time: 7:55 p.m. Place: Town of Newburgh
13		Town Hall
14		1496 Route 300 Newburgh, NY 12550
15	BOARD MEMBERS:	JOHN P. EWASUTYN, Chairman
16	BOAND MEMBERS.	KENNETH MENNERICH CLIFFORD C. BROWNE
17		LISA CARVER
18		DAVID DOMINICK JOHN A. WARD
19	ALSO PRESENT:	DOMINIC CORDISCO, ESQ.
20		PATRICK HINES JAMES CAMPBELL
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22	APPLICANT'S REPRES	SENTATIVE: PATRICIA BROOKS
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	Lands	o f	Melissa	Menendez

	Lands of Melissa Menendez
2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: The Planning
3	Board's fourth item is the lands of
4	Melissa Menendez, project number 25-11.
5	It's a public hearing for a two-lot
6	subdivision located on Kings Hill Road.
7	It's in an R-1 Zone. It's being
8	represented by Patricia Brooks of Control
9	Point Associates.
10	Patricia.
11	MS. BROOKS: Good evening. Again,
12	this is a two-lot subdivision of a parcel
13	of land located on the southerly side of
14	Kings Hill Road. The remaining lands
15	also have road frontage on the westerly
16	side of Rock Cut Road.
17	We're creating a new 2.31 acre
18	buildable lot with the remaining lands
19	being 16.3 acres containing an existing
20	house and accessory buildings.
21	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Mr. Mennerich
22	will read the notice of hearing.
23	MR. MENNERICH: "Notice of hearing,
24	Town of Newburgh Planning Board. Please
25	take notice that the Planning Board of

2	the Town of Newburgh, Orange County,
3	New York will hold a public hearing
4	pursuant to section 274-A of the New
5	York State Town Law and Chapter 163-8J
6	of the Town of Newburgh Code on the
7	application of Lands of Melissa
8	Menendez, project 2025-11, a two-lot
9	subdivision. The project proposes a
10	two-lot subdivision of an 18.6 plus
11	or minus acre parcel of property
12	located at the southwest intersection
13	of Rock Cut Road and Kings Hill Road.
14	The site contains an existing single-
15	family residential structure. The
16	proposed lot will be a 2.31 plus or
17	minus acre flag lot with a 40-foot
18	wide access strip. The existing and
19	proposed residences will be served by
20	individual wells and subsurface
21	sanitary sewer disposal systems. The
22	site contains a portion of New York
23	State DEC wetland NB-11. The project
24	site contains a 100-year floodway.
25	The project site is located in the

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2		Town's R-1 Zoning District. The
3		project address is 5 Kings Hill Road.
4		The project is known on the Town Tax
5		Maps as Section 11; Block 1, Lot 63.22.
6		A public hearing will be held on the
7		25th day of June 2025 at the Town
8		Hall Meeting Room, 1496 Route 300,
9		Newburgh, New York at 7 p.m. or as
10		soon thereafter, at which time all
11		interested persons will be given an
12		opportunity to be heard. By order of
13		the Town of Newburgh Planning Board.
14		John P. Ewasutyn, Chairman, Planning
15		Board Town of Newburgh. Dated 19 May
16		2025."
17		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you.
18		Questions or comments from the
19		public? Please raise your hand and give
20		your first name.
21		(No response.)
22		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Let the record

comment on the lands of Melissa Menendez for a two-lot subdivision.

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2	At this point we'll turn the
3	meeting over to Jim Campbell, Code
4	Compliance.
5	MR. CAMPBELL: My only remaining
6	comment is that a turnout is required.
7	MS. BROOKS: We did show a turnout
8	at a distance of 500 feet near the house,
9	50 feet in depth and 30 feet in width.
10	If you would like to see it in a
11	different location at the point in time
12	that they obtain the building permit
13	MR. CAMPBELL: That I took as the
14	turnaround.
15	MS. BROOKS: Right. That is at the
16	distance of the 500 feet.
17	MR. CAMPBELL: You have a turnout
18	and a turnaround. They're two separate
19	items of the code.
20	MS. BROOKS: I understood that when
21	it was at the 500 feet, the turnout and
22	the turnaround could be in common.
23	Again, I know at the point in time of the
24	building permit they certainly can adjust
25	it as required in accordance with what

2	your recommendations are. I didn't bring
3	that section of the code with me this
4	evening. We're happy to work with you
5	independently, if that's a condition of
6	approval this evening. We can sit down
7	and review the map together if you want
8	something different than what we have
9	right now. I thought this was in
10	compliance with your request. If you
11	want something different, we certainly
12	can accommodate.
13	MR. CAMPBELL: If you can move on
14	and I'll come back to this.
15	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: At this point
16	I'll turn the meeting over for comments
17	to Planning Board Members. Dave Dominick.
18	MR. DOMINICK: Nothing additional.
19	MR. MENNERICH: No questions.
20	MR. BROWNE: Nothing more.
21	MS. CARVER: Nothing further.
22	MR. WARD: Nothing more.
23	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Are there any
24	further questions or comments from the
25	public?

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- 2 (No response.)
- 3 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: If there are no
- 4 questions or comments from the public,
- 5 can I have a motion to close the public
- 6 hearing on the Lands of Melissa Menendez,
- 7 project number 25-11, for a two-lot
- 8 subdivision.
- 9 MS. CARVER: So moved.
- MR. MENNERICH: Second.
- 11 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion
- 12 by Lisa Carver. I have a second by Ken
- 13 Mennerich. Can I have a roll call vote
- 14 starting with Dave Dominick.
- MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
- MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
- 17 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
- MR. BROWNE: Aye.
- MS. CARVER: Aye.
- MR. WARD: Aye.
- 21 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Dominic Cordisco,
- have we made a SEORA determination on this?
- MR. CORDISCO: You have not, sir.
- 24 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Pat Hines, how
- 25 would you advise us?

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2	MR. HINES: We circulated the
3	notice of intent for lead agency. We
4	heard back from the Office of Parks,
5	Recreation, Historic Preservation which
6	requested a phase 1a/1b study of the
7	site. That was provided. On June 17th
8	we received a no impact letter from the
9	Office of Parks, Recreation, Historic
10	Preservation.
11	In addition, a wetland boundary
12	validation was received from the DEC.
13	That was also done.
14	We circulated this to the County
15	Planning Department as the project
16	abutted a County highway. We received
17	back a Local determination.
18	The wetlands were completely
19	avoided on the site.
20	We would recommend a negative
21	declaration.
22	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Having heard
23	from Pat Hines of MH&E recommending that
24	the Planning Board is in a position to
25	declare a negative declaration for the

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- 2 Lands of Melissa Menendez, project number
- 3 25-11, would someone move for that
- 4 motion.
- 5 MR. WARD: So moved.
- 6 MR. BROWNE: Second.
- 7 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion
- 8 by John Ward. I have a second by Cliff
- 9 Browne. Can I have a roll call vote
- 10 starting with Dave Dominick.
- MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
- MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
- 13 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
- MR. BROWNE: Aye.
- MS. CARVER: Aye.
- MR. WARD: Aye.
- 17 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Dominic Cordisco,
- 18 Planning Board Attorney, can you give us
- 19 conditions of approval for the Lands of
- 20 Melissa Menendez.
- 21 MR. CORDISCO: Yes. The conditions
- 22 would include, as Patti had mentioned,
- working with Code Compliance regarding
- the turnaround, to resolve that issue.
- 25 There are no additional outstanding

1	Lands	of Melissa Menendez 84
2		engineering comments.
3		MR. HINES: No.
4		MR. CORDISCO: There would also be
5		a recreation fee for one new lot that
6		would be created.
7		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Having heard
8		the conditions of approval for the Lands
9		of Melissa Menendez presented by the
10		Planning Board Attorney, would someone
11		move for that motion.
12		MR. DOMINICK: I'll make the motion.
13		MR. MENNERICH: Second.
14		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion
15		by Dave Dominick. I have a second by Ken
16		Mennerich. Can I have a roll call vote
17		starting with
18		MR. BROWNE: A question, John. Do
19		we have any comments back from Jim on the
20		turnout and turnaround?
21		MR. CAMPBELL: It can be read both
22		ways. I'm going to confer with my
23		supervisor tomorrow.
24		MS. BROOKS: Again, we will work
25		with you. I will assure you that before

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1	Lands	o f	Melissa	Menendez

2	the map is presented to Chairman Ewasutyn
3	for signature, we'll make sure that we
4	get a letter from Code Compliance that
5	the map is in conformance with what the
6	determination is as far as the safety
7	turnout.
8	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: He did include
9	that in the conditions of approval.
10	Having a motion on the table,
11	having discussion, there was a motion
12	made by John Ward and there was a second
13	by Cliff Browne I believe. At this point
14	we'll poll the Board Members one more
15	time starting with Dave Dominick.
16	MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
17	MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
18	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
19	MR. BROWNE: Aye.
20	MS. CARVER: Aye.

MR. WARD: Aye.

22 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Motion carried.

Thank you.

MS. BROOKS: Thank you.

25 (Time noted: 8:05 p.m.)

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6	for and within the State of New York, do	
7	hereby certify:	
8	That hereinbefore set forth is a true	
9	record of the proceedings.	
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11	related to any of the parties to this	
12	proceeding by blood or by marriage and that	
13	I am in no way interested in the outcome of	
14	this matter.	
15	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto	
16	set my hand this 3rd day of July 2025.	
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6	Brew	ver Road
7	Section 39;	Block 1; Lot 32 3 Zone
8		X
9 LO		LY APARTMENTS HOUSING
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12	Ti	ate: June 25, 2025 ime: 8:05 p.m. lace: Town of Newburgh
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1	Elkay	Partners Development
2		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Item number
3		5, Elkay Partners Development, project
4		number 24-29. It's multi-family
5		apartments, senior housing density
6		bonus. It's located on Brewer Road
7		in an R-3 Zone. It's being represented
8		by, Lara, is it?
9		MS. PRUSCHKI: Yes.

10 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: With

11 Engineering & Surveying Properties.

12 Lara.

MS. PRUSCHKI: Lara Pruschki from Engineering & Surveying Properties.

Since we were last before the
Board in April, our client had done their
pro forma and went back to their architect
to see if they could accommodate additional
units in the same building footprint, which
they were able to do. We have increased
the unit count to what the density allows,
which is 168 units.

In addition to that, we have added some parking on the interior loop here to accommodate those extra units.

1	Elkay	Partners Development
2		We have the same limit of
3		disturbance as the initial plan that
4		was shown before you in April. This
5		just has some additional parking.
6		Since that meeting as well, we
7		received a positive jurisdictional
8		determination from the DEC, which
9		then they visited the site and
10		confirmed the wetland boundary. We
11		have submitted a map to them for
12		signature.
13		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: At this point
14		we'll turn the meeting over to Pat Hines
15		with MH&E.
16		MR. HINES: Again, this is the
17		third concept review for this project.
18		The plans reverted back to the original
19		unit count from October.
20		In between October of '24 and now,
21		I believe the building height changed.
22		MS. PRUSCHKI: Yes.
23		MR. HINES: It was five buildings
24		originally. Now there's three.
25		At the April meeting I believe the

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2	Board authorized us to resend the
3	adjoiners' notices. We did not do that
4	because the applicant's representative
5	wanted to hold off, knowing that they may
6	come back in for the change. I would
7	suggest that we send the adjoiners'
8	notices back out identifying the changes
9	from five structures to three structures
10	and the height change so that the area
11	residents know that.

We talked at work session about the need to recirculate lead agency. It was determined that the original lead agency circulation would remain valid.

We just talked about the wetlands.

We would like any future plans submitted to show any improvements on tax lot 33 which is surrounded by the project off the roadway there.

MS. PRUSCHKI: Okay.

MR. HINES: The previous comments we issued continue to be applicable.

The project does require referral to the Town Board under Zoning Chapter

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- 2 185-48 for the senior housing density
- 3 bonus. The Board could discuss
- 4 authorizing that letter tonight.
- 5 Also, the senior units in the
- 6 complex are limited to 1,000 square feet,
- 7 which is often a challenge for the
- 8 architects. We wanted to repeat that
- 9 early on in the process, that the senior
- density bonus has that restriction on
- 11 unit size.
- 12 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Jim Campbell
- 13 with Code Compliance.
- MR. CAMPBELL: I just have a couple
- of minor comments. On the EAF, the hours
- should be discussed. I think you have
- that.
- MS. PRUSCHKI: Yes.
- MR. CAMPBELL: These hours are
- different than what's on the EAF.
- 21 Also, a copy of the latest sketch
- was forwarded to the fire chief of the
- 23 Cronomer Valley Fire Department for any
- 24 possible comments.
- MS. PRUSCHKI: Okay.

1	Elkay Partners Development 92
2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Dave Dominick,
3	questions or comments.
4	MR. DOMINICK: Nothing further.
5	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Ken Mennerich.
6	MR. MENNERICH: No questions.
7	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: No comment.
8	MR. BROWNE: Not at this time. You
9	have a ways to go yet.
10	MS. CARVER: What are the building
11	heights?
12	MS. PRUSCHKI: They're going to be
13	under the maximum of 35 feet.
14	MS. CARVER: Thank you.
15	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: John Ward.
16	MR. WARD: No comments right now.
17	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Dominic Cordisco,
18	Planning Board Attorney, can you reconfirm
19	the comments that were made by Pat Hines
20	of MH&E.

MR. CORDISCO: Yes. I went through
my file and we did actually previously
refer the prior version of the concept
plan back in November of 2024 to the Town
Board for the 168 units with regard to

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2	the 19 units that were proposed for the
3	senior density bonus at that time. My
4	recommendation would be to advise the
5	Town Board that the layout has been
6	changed, and although the same number of
7	units have been kept, the height of the
8	buildings has been increased. I think
9	that since the Town Board ultimately has
10	to grant approval for the senior density
11	bonus, that they should be apprised of
12	the fact that the layout has changed. My
13	recommendation would be to update the
14	Town Board with a new letter advising
15	them that this Board has received a
16	revised concept plan.
17	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: You'll prepare

CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: You'll prepare the letter to advise the Town Board?

MR. CORDISCO: Yes, I will.

20 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Continue. I'm 21 sorry.

MR. CORDISCO: That's the only action that I would recommend at this time.

25 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: So if I

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2	understand, this evening we're going to
3	recirculate the adjoiners' notice, we're
4	going to again, one more time, declare
5	our intent for lead agency?
6	MR. HINES: No. We did that already

7 MR. CORDISCO: Correct.

CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Even with the change we're not going to --

> MR. CORDISCO: I would not recommend recirculating because the jurisdiction over the project hasn't changed.

CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: So then the only action before us this evening is to send out the adjoiners' notice and for you to prepare a letter to the Town Board based upon Chapter 185-48, a referral to the Town Board for the senior housing density bonus?

MR. CORDISCO: Yes, sir.

MR. HINES: I believe we previously advised the applicant that the Town is undertaking a comprehensive plan update and that this project is proceeding basically at its own risk subject to any

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            changes that could come out of that.
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                 MS. PRUSCHKI: Yes.
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                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Would someone
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            make a motion for the two items before
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            us.
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                 MR. MENNERICH: So moved.
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                 MR. BROWNE: Second.
                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion
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           by Ken Mennerich. I have a second by
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            Cliff Browne. Can I have a roll call
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           vote starting with Dave Dominick.
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                 MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
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                 MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
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                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
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                 MR. BROWNE: Aye.
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                 MS. CARVER: Aye.
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                 MR. WARD: Aye.
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                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you.
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2	STATE OF NEW YORK : COUNTY OF ORANGE TOWN OF NEWBURGH PLANNING BOARD
3	X In the Matter of
4	III CIIC PACCCI OI
5	BEAR PARK PLAYGROUND (2025-18)
6	152 North Plank Road
7	Section 41; Block 2; Lot 15.1 B Zone
9	X
10	AMENDED SITE PLAN
11	Date: June 25, 2025
12	Time: 8:12 p.m.
13	Place: Town of Newburgh Town Hall
14	1496 Route 300 Newburgh, NY 12550
15	BOARD MEMBERS: JOHN P. EWASUTYN, Chairman
16	KENNETH MENNERICH
17	CLIFFORD C. BROWNE LISA CARVER
18	DAVID DOMINICK JOHN A. WARD
L 9	ALSO PRESENT: DOMINIC CORDISCO, ESQ.
20	PATRICK HINES JAMES CAMPBELL
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22	APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE: STEVEN BURNS
23	X
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2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: The sixth item
3	of business this evening is Bear Park
4	Playground, project number 25-18. It's
5	an initial appearance for an amended site
6	plan. It's located on 152 North Plank
7	Road in a B Zone. It's being represented
8	by Steve Burns of Burns Engineering
9	Services.
10	MR. BURNS: Good evening. My name
11	is Steve Burns. I'm with Burns
12	Engineering Services. I represent the
13	owners of Bear Park Playground proposed
14	to be at 152 North Plank Road.
15	The existing building is
16	approximately it's just under 5,000
17	square feet. It's a single story
18	building. Everybody has probably seen it
19	through the years and is familiar with it.
20	It has some weird it has six
21	weird doors that are about three feet off
22	the ground that are on two different
23	sides of the building. I believe it used
24	to be a bread bread sales and
25	distribution used to happen at the

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Our plan is to take the existing building and reuse the footprint. We'll take the one overhead door that remains out and make that the main entrance with a staircase with handicap access to it.

We would discontinue the front traffic lane in front of the building that connected it to the building to the north and the site to the north. We would locate our handicap parking space up front there.

Additionally, we'll reuse the existing pavement to get nineteen additional regular parking spots to serve the use.

The actual use is similar to an arcade. They have a couple VR machines planned and a lot of like train-type games and stuff. I'm sure my kids will love it.

There's existing sewer and water services connected. I'll get them mapped out.

2	I'll have to update the zoning
3	schedule. There's going to be three
4	variances required, one for the sign, one
5	for the front setback which is existing,
6	the sign is also existing, and one for
7	the side yard setback, which is also
8	existing.

9 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Dave Dominick,
10 Planning Board Member.

MR. DOMINICK: Steve, this is kind of new, at least to me, this concept.

Walk us through the business model. The customer comes in, comes in with cash, puts it in the machine? Is there a credit card he puts in the machine or does he come into a kiosk and buys tickets to play the crane game or the VR game or whatever?

MR. BURNS: I don't know how the actual interface is going to be. I have seen the floor plans for it. There's a small party room in one section of the building. The rest of the floor space is pretty much VR machines and other sorts

1	Bear Park Playground 103
2	of, you know, video games and crane-type
3	machines.
4	MR. DOMINICK: So the party room is
5	for birthday parties and such?
6	MR. BURNS: Yes.
7	MR. DOMINICK: What kind of food
8	will you be serving or are you going to
9	cater out?
10	MR. BURNS: I believe that they
11	will be catering out. There are no
12	provisions for food preparation or
13	anything onsite.
14	MR. DOMINICK: Vending machines?
15	MR. BURNS: There's the possibility
16	of having a vending machine, yes.
17	MR. DOMINICK: Thank you.
18	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Ken Mennerich.
19	MR. MENNERICH: No questions.
20	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Two minor
21	questions. One, eventually you'll show
22	the dumpster location?
23	MR. BURNS: Yes.
2.4	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Will there be a

change -- we'll eventually do ARB approval.

2	Are	you	proposing	g a	fac	ade ch	ang	e?	
3		MR	. BURNS:	We	're	going	to	take	out

the doors, the loading doors, and we're going to change the spaces out to windows. That's pretty much it. There's

We're going to have to build a staircase where the building jogs back to get from the parking area up to the main entrance, which is going to be in the sidewall here, right here. This is the existing building overhead door. We're going to take that overhead door out and we're just going to put a regular double door with a staircase.

not really going to be too much otherwise.

The parking in the front is quite a bit higher and closer to the ground floor elevation. We're going to use that to our advantage so that we can get handicap access around to this doorway which is three feet off the ground as it exists.

CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Is there any potential for painting the facade of the building?

1	Bear Park Playground 103
2	MR. BURNS: Yes.
3	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: That's my
4	point. You will be tweaking the
5	building, whether it be painting or
6	siding or something like that?
7	MR. BURNS: Yes. It's currently
8	block.
9	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you.
10	MR. BURNS: Painted block.
11	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Cliff Browne.
12	MR. BROWNE: What's your target age
13	group?
14	MR. BURNS: I would have to say
15	somewhere eight to fourteen, fifteen.
16	MR. BROWNE: Younger kids. You're
17	hoping anyway for a fair amount of car
18	parking to bring these kids in. That's
19	why the twenty-one spaces? I think it
20	was twenty-one spaces.
21	MR. BURNS: The twenty-one is
22	essentially the maximum that I could fit
23	in the existing pavement.

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MR. BROWNE: If you're looking at

that age group, do you have -- what's

1	Bear Park Playground 10
2	your capacity?
3	MR. BURNS: I don't have that
4	offhand.
5	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Jim, would
6	there be a fire code or some kind of code
7	as far as occupancy?
8	MR. CAMPBELL: Yes. In all
9	buildings there is. It's based on the
10	use and stuff. That would have to be
11	determined.
12	MR. BURNS: I think that that's
13	actually been calculated, now that I'm
14	I've looked at the architectural plans.
15	I would have to go back to them to see
16	what they actually calculated as the
17	occupant load.
18	MR. BROWNE: Essentially all of
19	your inside gaming per se is geared to
20	the five to fifteen-year age?
21	MR. BURNS: Yes.
22	MR. BROWNE: Okay. Thank you.
23	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Lisa Carver.
24	MS. CARVER: Do you have plans for
25	the front? You're going to redo the

Bear Park Playground	105
parking. You're going to put lines	for
parking for the spots.	
The entrance, when you first p	ull
in off 32, is there going to be curb	ing?
What are you planning to put there?	
MR. BURNS: We didn't have any	
plans essentially at this point, but	. I
think	
CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: You'll have	e to
upgrade the curbing. The curbing is	defunct.
MR. BURNS: All right.	
CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: What we we	re
discussing at the meeting sorry f	or
interrupting you I think Dave Dom	iinick
had the idea of something to do with	what
kind of	
MR. DOMINICK: Hardscape or	
concrete or block.	
CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Creating	
something that might look like a	
sidewalk. Again, the tightness of t	he

spot, putting plants along there with

it and how long is it going to last?

people plowing, who is going to maintain

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- 2 MR. BURNS: There's not much room.
- 3 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: The curbing is
- 4 just -- it needs to come up.
- 5 MR. HINES: Right now there's river
- for containing the formal form
- 7 weeds. The Board discussed maybe just
- 8 putting in new curbing with hardscape.
- 9 MR. BURNS: Okay.
- 10 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Sorry, Lisa.
- MS. CARVER: That's okay.
- MR. BURNS: I'll take that up with
- the owners.
- 14 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: John Ward.
- MR. WARD: If you can, please on
- the other plan, where your handicap
- parking is, on the left you have a square
- 18 that's not identified. What is that?
- MR. BURNS: That was going to
- 20 become lawn. We were going to take the
- 21 pavement out of there.
- MR. WARD: Okay.
- MR. BURNS: The pavement will
- 24 become unnecessary.
- MR. WARD: Thank you.

1	Bear Park Playground 107
2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Jim Campbell,
3	any comments?
4	MR. CAMPBELL: Yes. As you
5	mentioned, the freestanding sign would
6	require a variance at this point. I
7	don't know the dimensions. That would
8	have to be determined.
9	Just an FYI, the last permitted
10	sign change in 2015 had the sign sized as
11	8 by 4. You're proposing a sign of 8 by
12	6. If the sign stays, it will need some
13	sort of analysis.
14	MR. BURNS: Okay.
15	MR. CAMPBELL: Are there any
16	building-mounted signs proposed?
17	MR. BURNS: I don't believe there
18	are at this time.
19	MR. CAMPBELL: If so, display them
20	on the submittal.
21	MR. BURNS: Okay.
22	MR. CAMPBELL: Sprinklers may be
23	required. We need more information

regarding -- when you're submitting the

architecturals, something to give us more

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The ADA access aisle needs to be marked with a no parking sign --

5 MR. BURNS: Okay.

6 MR. CAMPBELL: -- between the two 7 spots.

You answered my last one as far as
that area to the north, it is going to be
grass.

11 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you.

12 Pat Hines with MH&E.

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MR. HINES: Our first comment, as

Mr. Burns mentioned, the bulk table needs

to be updated for the indoor use. The

current bulk table identified a restaurant.

I did take a look at the plans and identified the variances that will be required. They are preexisting nonconforming uses. That's based on the indoor amusement column D-4 bulk table.

The front yard setback on a State highway is 60 feet where 46.8 is provided. The side yard is 15 feet where 14.9 is provided. Any variances for the

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I don't know if the Board wants to wait to get that updated bulk table or do the referral now. I believe I've identified the appropriate variances.

We'll be looking for a parking calculation based on the use and the building size. I know you said you had nineteen with two accessible. We need to have the basis for that to make sure it's enough.

The sidewalk and curbing should be clearly defined on the plan. I too couldn't figure out what the square area is. If that could be labeled as to be turned into a lawn area.

Water and sewer utilities are needed.

We talked about sprinklers.

Drive aisles should be dimensioned.

It's a Type 2 action. We typically circulate by letter for these projects that are on the DOT highways, just to advise them of the change.

1	Bear Park Playground 110
2	We need to do adjoiners' notices.
3	I'll work with your office, Steve, to
4	provide those and get those out.
5	MR. BURNS: Okay.
6	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Dominic, it
7	sounds as if there are one or two items
8	out there that need to be brought forward
9	and consolidated. We are in a position
10	for you to prepare a referral letter to
11	the Zoning Board of Appeals for the three
12	variances that may be needed, keeping in
13	mind that there may or may not be a need
14	for a variance for parking. In what
15	direction do we go?
16	MR. CORDISCO: It would seem
17	prudent to wait, to be honest. Otherwise
18	the referral to the ZBA would not include
19	all the necessary variances. The Zoning
20	Board of Appeals wouldn't accept additional
21	variances that weren't reviewed first by
22	this Board.
23	Given the clean-up items that need

to be addressed on the plans, my

suggestion would be for another

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- 2 submission to be made.
- 3 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: So then the
- 4 only action before us tonight is for Pat
- 5 Hines to prepare the adjoiners' notice.
- It's a Type 2 action so we're not
- 7 involved in lead agency.
- MR. HINES: There would be no lead
- 9 agency. We typically send notification
- to the DOT on projects that are Type 2.
- 11 We don't often hear back from them. It's
- 12 a check that box kind of thing if they
- ever do have concerns.
- 14 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: You'll work
- with Pat Hines as far as the adjoiners'
- 16 notice.
- 17 MR. BURNS: Yes.
- 18 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Any other
- 19 questions or comments from Board Members?
- MR. DOMINICK: No.
- MR. MENNERICH: No.
- MR. BROWNE: No.
- MS. CARVER: No.
- MR. WARD: No.
- 25 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you.

1	Bear Park Playground	112
2	MR. BURNS: Have a good evening.	
3	Thank you.	
4	(Time noted: 8:25 p.m.)	
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6	CERTIFICATION	
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8	I, MICHELLE CONERO, a Notary Public	
9	for and within the State of New York, do	
10	hereby certify:	
11	That hereinbefore set forth is a true	
12	record of the proceedings.	
13	I further certify that I am not	
14	related to any of the parties to this	
15	proceeding by blood or by marriage and that	
16	I am in no way interested in the outcome of	
17	this matter.	
18	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto	
19	set my hand this 3rd day of July 2025.	
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12	Date	e: June 25, 2025
13		e: 8:25 p.m. ce: Town of Newburgh
14		Town Hall 1496 Route 300
15		Newburgh, NY 12550
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18	DAV	A CARVER ID DOMINICK
19		N A. WARD
20	PAT	INIC CORDISCO, ESQ. RICK HINES
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22	APPLICANT'S REPRESENTA	TIVE: MARK RUESCHER
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2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: The seventh
3	item of business this evening is First
4	Prestige Properties, Inc. It's an
5	initial appearance for an amended site
6	plan for EV charging stations. It's
7	located on Route 9W. It's in an 04 B/L
8	HI Overlay District. It's being
9	represented by Woodhollow Contracting.

MR. RUESCHER: Good evening,
everyone. My name is Mark. I'm the
director of construction and development.
Pardon my appearance. I'm filling in for
my boss, the electrical engineer. I came
from the job.

Basically we're trying to provide for a need to charge electric vehicles in the area. We are trying to do them at gas stations, basically because the gas stations serve the same use, right. You pull in with your petroleum-based car, you fill up your car and go on your way. The same thing with electric cars. They need somewhere to fill up their tank, for lack of a better way to say that.

2	Prestige Petroleum is a pretty big
3	company in the area. They own many gas
4	stations, Valeros and such. We're
5	currently building one right now in the
6	Town of Montgomery, in Rock Tavern, close
7	to 84 to service those cars.

We work very closely with the

Central Hudson utility. We are a

contractor by them. We do infrastructure

work with them. The incentives from

Central Hudson are helping EV drivers

right now, trying to help accommodate the

cost of chargers and the cost of these

upgrades. We're working with the

utility, hand in hand with the client,

trying to provide a turnkey solution for

people to have charging solutions for

their cars.

I don't have a copy of the plan. I was under the impression that you did. Sorry.

Basically there are vacuums currently -- we're doing 5306 right now, right? I'm here for two.

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2 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I've gone back 3 and forth.

4 MR. HINES: You're doing 5306.

MR. RUESCHER: Thanks. In New York
City they don't let me bring in paper.
It's the complete opposite.

So this is a Valero gas station at 5306 Route 9W. Currently right now in the back of the property there are two vacuum station stalls. At this point there are not many people that are using vacuum stalls at gas stations. For the applicant, it's actually costing him more money to maintain the vacuums than money he's generating from those vacuums. With that being said, we are planning to remove the vacuums. That was one of the questions from MHE on the paperwork. are not planning to relocate them on the property. They're going to be eliminated. We were trying to use those spots. Since we considered that an accessory structure, and with most other jurisdictions that we're working in right now, EV chargers

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are considered an accessory structure,

not a building structure because

they're a necessity. We were actually

6 accommodate the new EV chargers.

We don't think it's going to really affect too much of the traffic at this station as it is. It has a lot of alternate parking already in the front.

going to use these stalls in order to

McCall Street happens to be a very busy street already because there's a bus depot on the other side of this parking lot, on this side.

The traffic pattern will kind of stay the same. It will be entering off Route 9W, coming out of McCall and coming back to the main road.

What's nice about these chargers that we're proposing here is they are DC fast chargers. That being said, if somebody pulls in -- they're going to be 240 KW. If somebody pulls in with a half of tank in their car,

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2	half battery, within twenty minutes
3	the car is fully charged. At that
4	point they can pull out. It's kind
5	of a pattern like a gas station.
6	Obviously it's probably three or four
7	times the length, however it's a very
8	good substitute to level 2 charging
9	which would take possibly six to
10	eight hours to charge your car, like
11	the ones you see in people's homes.
12	We're going to bring in a new

We're going to bring in a new service for this. The service is actually proposed to go over here, which isn't on the page, I don't know why. We are already currently working with Central Hudson, with the planner. It's been in planning for the last three months. They told us we won't get any feedback from them for at least another two months based on what they are going to give us power wise. The power is available, it's just where it's coming from. As of right now we are intending on using a

1	First	Prestige Properties, Inc. 119
2		utility pole that is here. We have a
3		new primary and would be bringing
4		it into a new vault that would be
5		below ground. It would be an
6		underground service. It will be an
7		800 amp service. Right now we are
8		proposing to keep all that equipment
9		in this area.
10		I know I got from the notes that
11		there is a 40-foot setback. You're
12		considering McCall Street a front
13		property. Is that correct, sir?
14		MR. HINES: Yes.
15		MR. RUESCHER: Is there a
16		possibility that these could be
17		considered accessory structures or this
18		will also require that 40-foot setback?
19		MR. HINES: I think Mr. Campbell is
20		going to address that.
21		MR. RUESCHER: Phenomenal.
22		We started to adopt this kind of
23		what we call barrier free parking for EV

charging. I don't want to confuse it

with ADA because it doesn't meet every

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Curb stops for protection.

We can keep going. I'll stop

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1	First	Prestige Properties, Inc. 121
2		there.
3		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: You're very
4		good at what you do.
5		MR. RUESCHER: I'm the guy that
6		builds it. I'm usually not the guy that
7		does this. I'm trying.
8		MR. DOMINICK: You found your new
9		calling.
10		MR. RUESCHER: I went to school for
11		landscape architecture. I could probably
12		figure it out.
13		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Dave Dominick.
14		MR. DOMINICK: Nothing on this
15		project.
16		A couple questions on the other
17		one.
18		There's actually nothing in that
19		part of the Town, so this would be pretty
20		much a first in that area.
21		MR. MENNERICH: Did Central Hudson
22		give a reason why it takes so many
23		months?
24		MR. RUESCHER: Certain projects are
25		actually quick. It's actually kind of

2	funny with Central Hudson. The one we're
3	doing right now in Rock Tavern, I got an
4	answer in six weeks. If there's a new
5	three-phase primary where they are
6	replacing poles, it's very quick. It's
7	within weeks. These poles happen to be
8	older, so first they have to send the
9	engineers out to check the integrity of
10	the pole, then what power is being used.
11	It also goes based on how much power is
12	being used in that area on that grid.
13	This is a more industrial site where
14	we're working. I'm going to use that
15	word. There's a bus depot across the
16	street, United Rentals is across the
17	street on the other side and they're
18	using a lot of power. All three of these
19	poles have transformers already. It's a
20	matter of them telling us, listen, you
21	can pull from here, you can do this.
22	It's working with their engineers, as
23	well as engineers like the gentleman over
24	there, to make it all work. They only
25	have two engineers, Central Hudson.

1	First	Prestige Properties, Inc. 123
2		That's another problem. It's a very big
3		utility to only have two engineers.
4		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: No comment.
5		MR. BROWNE: I don't have any
6		comments at this point. I just feel
7		fortunate that we have a couple of
8		retired Central Hudson people on the
9		Board right now.
10		MR. RUESCHER: I have to say,
11		honestly, we work very closely with a lot
12		of utilities. Their responsiveness,
13		politeness and helpfulness, they're
14		probably one of the best in the area.
15		That I will say. If you want a nightmare,
16		come work with me with Con Ed in
17		Manhattan. It two years for somebody
18		to respond to an e-mail.
19		MS. CARVER: I have no questions
20		on this one. I have a question on
21		the other one.
22		MR. RUESCHER: I'm afraid to do the
23		next one.
24		MR. WARD: I did mention to the

Board about the Valero over in Montgomery

That's all I've got.

MR. HINES: I think he said it was

going to be buried.

such.

2	MR. RUESCHER: Can I answer that
3	question, or try to? So on this plan
4	there's a curb around this entire thing.
5	Right now it's just blacktop flat to the
6	street. There's actually a current light
7	there on a pole that's blocked by two
8	mafia blocks. I don't know what you guys
9	call them. Barrier blocks. Mafia blocks
10	is probably not the best word. We're
11	actually going to protect this entire
12	area with an eight-inch curb. This is a
13	truck lane. These are diesel stations.
14	The trucks come through here, all right,
15	and then turn back out on McCall Street.
16	We're actually going to be putting a stop
17	sign here as well, a yield sign, just to
18	have people slow down. It's facing the
19	inside. We're going to have bollards
20	around this entire thing which we're
21	using six-inch schedule 80 bollards
22	because of the truck traffic. However,
23	we also want to try to make it nice.
24	We're going to plant around it. We're
25	not allowed to plant in front of the

1	First	Prestige Properties, Inc. 126
2		doors where the Central Hudson transformer
3		is. You have to have 10 feet clearance
4		by the door.
5		MR. CAMPBELL: Still the same as
6		far as showing the traffic flow, because
7		it's not a drivable surface,
8		MR. RUESCHER: Correct. Understood.
9		MR. CAMPBELL: to make sure we
10		have enough room.
11		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Pat Hines with
12		MH&E.
13		MR. HINES: The site has a couple
14		of preexisting nonconformities that will
15		have to be addressed. The rear yard, 30
16		feet is required where 4.8 exists. I'm
17		reading these from your bulk table. Side
18		yard, 15 feet is required where 6.9
19		exists. The front yard setback in the
20		bulk table is identified as 40. You have
21		to show that as 60 per the code section I

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24 These are located to the rear of 25 the facility. Are there any way-finding

to have the correct bulk table.

referenced. It does comply, it just has

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	signs proposed to direct the people? You
	won't see them driving on 9W, obviously.
	I didn't know if there was going to be
	MR. RUESCHER: What's really
	interesting about the electrical
	vehicles, these are going to be ran a
	couple different ways. This goes back to
	you asked the other gentleman how this
	actually works. These chargers are going
	to be on an app. Whoever drives an
	electric vehicle, as you start to go low,
	it tells you this is your nearest
	station. What happens, these are all
	tele-chargers. They are actually going
	to communicate through Charge Hub, Charge
	Share and all these other apps. They're
	going to be visible to drivers. It will
	tell them when it's being used, it will
	tell them when it's vacant.
	In order to get the Central Hudson
	rebates and all the New York State

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In order to get the Central Hudson rebates and all the New York State incentives right now for green energy, all these have to take three forms of payment. You have to be able to take it

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- 2 by credit card, through the app, Apple
- 3 Pay or some kind of kiosk. That's the
- 4 only way it works to get the incentives.
- 5 All these will take those. You'll be
- 6 able to pay by credit card, through an
- 7 app or through like Apple Pay.
- 8 MR. HINES: We have a process with
- 9 adjoiners' notices. I can coordinate
- 10 with Steve, the PE.
- MR. RUESCHER: Yes.
- MR. HINES: I'll coordinate that
- with him.
- The project is located on a State
- 15 highway so a County Planning referral
- will be required, however we will not do
- that until you're back from the ZBA.
- I think that hits the rest of my
- 19 comments. We talked about the majority
- of those.
- 21 The transformers were located in
- 22 what would be a front yard, but we just
- heard from Mr. Campbell that they are not
- 24 concerned about that.
- 25 Just a couple of preexisting

1	First	Prestige Properties, Inc. 129
2		nonconformities that need to be
3		addressed, the adjoiners's notice, County
4		Planning.
5		It's a Type 2 action, so we'll
6		submit a letter to DOT advising them of
7		the activity.
8		MR. RUESCHER: The other dimension
9		that you gave of 6.9 feet, are those
10		going to require a variance because
11		they're preexisting conditions?
12		MR. HINES: They do in this Town.
13		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Dominic Cordisco,
14		Planning Board Attorney, will speak now
15		as to the next step with the ZBA.
16		Dominic.
17		MR. CORDISCO: The Board at this
18		point could authorize me to send a
19		letter, that would be a referral letter
20		to the ZBA, which would then authorize
21		essentially the applicant to make the ZBA
22		application as well. It requires a
23		letter from this Board first before
24		they'll accept that application from the
25		applicant.

1	First Prestige Properties, Inc. 130
2	In this case the variances as
3	Pat had mentioned, it's a preexisting
4	nonconforming rear yard, 30 feet is
5	required where 4.8 feet exists, as well
6	as the side yard, 15 feet is required and
7	6.9 feet exists. There will be a
8	referral for those.
9	MR. HINES: My comment number 6,
10	too. The side yard is actually a front
11	yard. They have it as a side yard in
12	their bulk table. It's a front yard on
13	McCall Place because it's a corner lot.
14	40 feet would be required there.
15	MR. CORDISCO: Got it.
16	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Would someone
17	make a motion for Dominic Cordisco,
18	Planning Board Attorney, to prepare a
19	letter to the Zoning Board of Appeals for
20	the necessary variances for First
21	Prestige Properties, 25-19.
22	MR. WARD: So moved.
23	MS. CARVER: Second.
24	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion
25	by John Ward. I have a second by Lisa

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            Carver. Can I have a roll call vote
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            starting with Dave Dominick.
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                 MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
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                 MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
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                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
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                 MR. BROWNE: Aye.
                 MS. CARVER: Aye.
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                 MR. WARD: Aye.
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                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Pat will work
           with the engineer associated with the
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2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Item 8 is
3	South Plank Holdings, LLC, project number
4	25-20. It's an initial appearance for an
5	amended site plan - EV charging stations.
6	It's located on 209 South Plank Road in a
7	B Zone. It's again being represented by
8	Woodhollow Contracting.
9	MR. RUESCHER: Hi, everybody. It's
10	me again.
11	So this applicant actually happens
12	to be the same applicant. He owns both
13	gas stations in the area.
14	This is a little bit of a tricky
15	gas station based on where it's located.
16	It doesn't have the most parking.
17	We did get confirmation from
18	Central Hudson already on this one that
19	we are allowed to pull power from here.
20	There's enough amperage in the area.
21	Right now we propose to put a transformer
22	here with bollard protection. This
23	currently is a lawn or a grass area.
24	Right next to that we have these
25	available parking spots that are already

2	here	that	we	want	to	use	for	the	EV
3	chard	ging.							

Typically on our EV chargers we put EV charging parking only on the signs. We wanted to see if we could get discretion on using signs that just say parking. We don't want to say only because we don't want these spots to not be able to be used for the store that's there already based on the parking limitation that we have onsite.

There are programs in other areas with other chargers that we've installed that if you park there and you're not charging, you actually get charged. It's an idle fee. In the city that's what happens. There's nowhere to park so they just park and they leave. We are not going to do that here, obviously.

We're doing the same exact infrastructure here, another 800 amp service, the same exact chargers. They are New York State compliant. They're Central Hudson compliant to get the

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2	incentives and all the tax credits and
3	everything that goes with that stuff.
4	We're not disrupting the traffic
5	flow. We aren't really disturbing
6	anything that's already existing.
7	There is also a vacuum here as
8	well. We are removing that and it will
9	not be going back.
10	I know this one you have more
11	questions on. I guess let's start with
12	those.
13	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Let's start out
14	with Jim Campbell. Do you have comments
15	on this one?
16	MR. CAMPBELL: The only comment I
17	had was that the electrical transformer
18	is not a structure.
19	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Before we turn
20	to Pat Hines, we'll start with Planning
21	Board Members. Dave Dominick.
22	MR. DOMINICK: Mark, you said you
23	had a landscape engineering and landscape
24	degree. What do you plan to do around
25	the transformer for this project?

2	MR. RUESCHER: We're planning to
3	plant some small screening so it's not so
4	obstructive. However, I don't want to
5	plant anything really the doors are
6	going to be actually facing the street.
7	Central Hudson has a code that you have
8	to be accessible to the doors within ten
9	feet of a curb line. God forbid the
10	power goes out, they use the hotstick to
11	turn it back on, so nothing can be in
12	front of it for ten feet. That's just
13	their rule, the utility's rule. If
L 4	there's not going to be anything in the
15	front of it, I think by doing that we
16	won't really block the site. That's what
17	I'm kind of hoping for there. Definitely
18	some kind of evergreen that won't get too
19	overpowering, but something we can
20	maintain on the site.
21	MR. DOMINICK: I'm glad you have
22	something planned.

My concern is the maintenance, the future maintenance of it. Right now it looks like that area particularly, even

2	that grass hasn't been mowed in a month.
3	It looks as though the shrubs between the
4	two exits signs, the north and south, are
5	overgrown, dried mulch, dying. Maybe
6	exchange that with hardscape as well, as
7	we told the other applicant just now.
8	There's a lot of just typical upkeep
9	maintenance that's not done on that site.

MR. RUESCHER: What's starting to happen with Prestige is they are taking over the sites. I don't know if you've seen, they took over in Rock Tavern, revamped it, landscaped it. He's maintaining it very well. He just took over the 5306 site as well. The one brother is actually charged with actually doing all that. He's slowly investing the money to have that infrastructure in place to do that.

I do agree with you, this site is probably the ugliest right now out of all three we are working on, but I have a feeling that the applicant, once he does this, obviously if this looks bad, an EV

2	car is not pulling in here. That's not
3	to say to be demeaning. It is what it
4	is. He's going to have to upkeep this.
5	Central Hudson will ticket him if there's
6	any type of vegetation that's not being
7	maintained around the transformer because
8	it's a fire hazard. You can't have volts
9	around the transformer for that same
10	reason, for ark flashes and things like
11	that. There's going to have to be a
12	gravel bed with a weed barrier. Things
13	are going to have to be put in place in
14	order to maintain the property, in the
15	area that we're working in at least.
16	MR. DOMINICK: What about a
17	hardscape fence instead of vegetation?
18	You've already proved that vegetation is
19	not maintainable at this property.
20	MR. RUESCHER: That's not a bad

MR. RUESCHER: That's not a bad idea. Yeah, we wouldn't be object to do that, as long as we don't think it's -- as long as it's not going to disturb visibility safety wise of driving, line of sight.

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2	M	R. DOM	IINICK	: R	ight.	That's
3	pretty	tight	near	the	road.	

MR. RUESCHER: We can also shift it back. We can shift it back and get it away from the opening so that it's a little bit more open when you're turning in and out.

MR. DOMINICK: Maybe we could take care of some hardscape in that cut right at the curb, the entrance on each side that we talked about.

MR. RUESCHER: There's a pothole the size of your table there at the moment.

MR. DOMINICK: I hit it.

MR. RUESCHER: On all the sites we are addressing the paving because we have to reseal and stripe for NYSERDA grants. You have to submit closeout documents and closeout photos in order for that person to receive that incentive. All the paving in our area will be fixed.

MR. DOMINICK: What does it cost per kilowatt for someone to charge?

2	MR. RUESCHER: That's completely up
3	to the applicant or the person owning the
4	station whoever is owning and
5	operating the station I should say.
6	Right now we've seen anywhere from, let's
7	say, \$0.40 all the way up to \$0.60 to
8	\$0.70. In New York City I've seen over
9	\$1. It all really depends. It depends on
10	the charge, obviously. The charge from
11	Central Hudson, the delivery fee, the
12	demand rate and whatever they want to
13	make on top. The future is going to be
14	battery storage to offset the demand
15	rate, but I don't want to go there yet.
16	MR. DOMINICK: Thank you.
17	MR. RUESCHER: My pleasure.
18	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Ken Mennerich.
19	MR. MENNERICH: No questions.
20	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: No comment.
21	MR. BROWNE: I'm just a little
22	curious. You're projecting twenty
23	minutes or so for a decent charge. Are
24	you doing anything in the store to
25	accommodate people for fifteen, twenty

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- 2 minutes to spend in the store?
- 3 MR. RUESCHER: That's the one thing
- 4 cool, most of the gas stations have a
- 5 convenience store where you could get a
- 6 cup of coffee or a danish or whatever you
- 7 want to get. That's one way to do it.
- 8 Other than that, there's not really
- 9 anything else.
- 10 MR. BROWNE: There's no plan to do
- anything additional?
- MR. RUESCHER: No. At the moment,
- 13 no.
- 14 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Lisa Carver.
- MS. CARVER: You're pulling the
- primary from across the street and you're
- 17 running it underground?
- 18 MR. RUESCHER: Correct.
- MS. CARVER: You're installing it?
- MR. RUESCHER: Yes.
- MS. CARVER: That's customer owned.
- 22 So you're cutting --
- MR. RUESCHER: You have to go to
- the highway and then we have to go to the
- Town. We have to get all the approvals

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2	to do directional boring underground.
3	MS. CARVER: You've got to get the
4	approvals from New York State DOT to do
5	that and then you're going to encase it?
6	MR. RUESCHER: It actually looks
7	like a huge drill. That is actually
8	driving each DPE pipe in the ground, and
9	then the sleeve and wire get run through
10	that.
11	MS. CARVER: I was just curious.
12	MR. RUESCHER: They won't bring in
13	800 amp service overhead.
L 4	MR. WARD: You already covered the
15	visibility with the building.
16	MR. RUESCHER: I think it will make
L 7	it safer. I'm all about safety. I don't
18	want anybody to get hurt.
19	MR. WARD: It's a busy road right
20	there.
21	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Pat Hines with
22	MH&E.
23	MR. HINES: This one too will need

It also has a preexisting 25

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the adjoiners' notice to be circulated.

CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Would the Board

- 2 move for a motion to have Dominic
- 3 Cordisco prepare a referral letter to the
- 4 Zoning Board of Appeals for -- just a
- front yard setback, Pat?
- 6 MR. HINES: Yes.
- 7 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Can I have a
- 8 motion for that?
- 9 MR. MENNERICH: So moved.
- MR. WARD: Second.
- 11 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion
- by Ken Mennerich. I have a second by
- John Ward. Can I have a roll call vote
- 14 starting with Dave Dominick.
- MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
- MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
- 17 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
- MR. BROWNE: Aye.
- MS. CARVER: Aye.
- MR. WARD: Aye.
- 21 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Again you'll
- 22 work with Pat Hines or Pat Hines will
- work with your office for the adjoiners'
- 24 notice.
- MR. RUESCHER: Great. Thank you so

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2	much for your time.	
3	(Time noted: 8:55 p.m.)	
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5	CERTIFICATION	
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8	I, MICHELLE CONERO, a Notary Public	
9	for and within the State of New York, do	
10	hereby certify:	
11	That hereinbefore set forth is a true	
12	record of the proceedings.	
13	I further certify that I am not	
14	related to any of the parties to this	
15	proceeding by blood or by marriage and that	
16	I am in no way interested in the outcome of	
17	this matter.	
18	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto	
19	set my hand this 3rd day of July 2025.	
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23	Michelle Conero	
24	MICHELLE CONERO	

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2	STATE OF NEW YORK : COUNTY OF ORANGE	
3	TOWN OF NEWBURGH PLANNING BOARD	
4	In the Matter of	
5	HAPPY TREE RETAIL CANNABIS DISPENSARY (2025-05)	
6	99 Route 17K	
7	Section 95; Block 1; Lot 33 B Zone	
8	X	
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10	AMENDED SITE PLAN - SPECIAL USE PERMIT	
11	Dato: Juno 25 2025	
12	Date: June 25, 2025 Time: 8:55 p.m. Place: Town of Newburgh	
13	Town Hall 1496 Route 300	
14	Newburgh, NY 1255	50
15	BOARD MEMBERS: JOHN P. EWASUTYN, Chairman	
16	KENNETH MENNERICH CLIFFORD C. BROWNE	
17	LISA CARVER DAVID DOMINICK	
18	JOHN A. WARD	
19	ALSO PRESENT: DOMINIC CORDISCO, ESQ. PATRICK HINES	
20	JAMES CAMPBELL	
21	APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE: JONATHAN MOSS	
22	AFFECANT 5 REFRESENTATIVE. CONATRAN MOSS	
23	X MICHELLE L. CONERO	
24	Court Reporter 845-541-4163	
25	michelleconero@hotmail.com	

1	Happy Tree Retail Cannabis Dispensary 148
2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: The ninth item
3	of business this evening is Happy Tree
4	Retail Cannabis Dispensary, project
5	number 25-05. It's an amended site plan
6	for a special use permit. It's located
7	on Route 17K in an IB Zone. It's being
8	represented by Jonathan Moss.
9	MR. MOSS: I'm just getting these
10	comments right now.
11	We had another sheet that showed
12	the signage proposal. I don't have it on
13	here. We had it at the first meeting
14	where we showed signs.
15	You have a let's see. You want
16	a dimensional requirement for linear
17	footage. That's the frontage you're
18	looking for?
19	MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.
20	MR. MOSS: We can provide that.
21	It's not on this drawing, but we can
22	provide the linear footage. Is that
23	conditional on approval or do we do that

as -- we're trying to do our best to move

this. I'm sorry. I just got this. Were

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1	Нарру	Tree Retail Cannabis Dispensary 149
2		these e-mailed to me and I just missed
3		them?
4		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Excuse me?
5		MR. MOSS: I got the code comments
6		now, but I think
7		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Jim, do you
8		e-mail your comments
9		MR. CAMPBELL: No.
10		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: the way we
11		do with the consultants' comments?
12		MR. MOSS: I would have had this
13		information for you.
14		MR. CAMPBELL: I can go over it if
15		you want.
16		MR. MOSS: Sure. That would be
17		great.
18		MR. CAMPBELL: My three comments
19		were that the Town of Newburgh ZBA
20		granted the variances for lot area, front
21		yard, side yard, combined yards, lot
22		surface coverage and front yard
23		landscaping. That was approved by the
24		Zoning Board.
25		At the February 20th meeting I

1	Нарру	Tree Retail Cannabis Dispensary 150
2		asked for the dimension that you're
3		reading now so I could determine what the
4		allowable signage is to be.
5		My third comment with regard to
6		which is something that came to our
7		attention is, has the signage been
8		approved by New York State? It still has
9		to conform to our code. Was it approved
10		by New York State? Another applicant had
11		their signage denied because it contained
12		a logo, which this does too. You have
13		three signs. Their signage was denied
14		because they had three and you're only
15		allowed to have two. That's why I'm
16		asking. If we do eventually approve and
17		then you have to change it because the
18		State changes, then you're coming back
19		here. We're trying to avoid that.
20		MR. MOSS: I didn't realize the
21		State I didn't know we had to submit
22		to the State for the signage.
23		MR. HINES: We didn't either. Our
24		final applicant tonight is coming back
25		for that.

1	Happy Tree Retail Cannabis Dispensary 151
2	MR. MOSS: I'm sorry to hear
3	somebody else is coming back.
4	MR. CAMPBELL: I'm trying to avoid
5	that.
6	MR. MOSS: Okay. So the linear
7	footage, I assume that this really would
8	be contingent with the State anyway.
9	MR. CAMPBELL: The lineal footage,
10	like I said, you have to comply with the
11	State requirements which we don't
12	necessarily control, but we do control
13	the Town requirements. Basically you're
14	allowed 1.25 square feet per lineal foot.
15	MR. MOSS: We have two frontages
16	and that's why we have the signs.
17	MR. CAMPBELL: You have one
18	frontage. You have one frontage as far
19	as calculations. You can have more than
20	one sign.
21	MR. MOSS: We're just doing
22	MR. CAMPBELL: The frontage that
23	faces the roadway.
24	MR. MOSS: When we have three
25	signs, we're including the one that's

1	Нарру	Tree Retail Cannabis Dispensary 152
2		facing here.
3		MR. CAMPBELL: It will include all
4		signage based on that 1.25 of the front.
5		MR. MOSS: Okay. Just so I'm clear
6		on this, if I have a calculation and show
7		it to you, we still need to come back
8		because we need a State review prior to
9		approval?
10		MR. HINES: You have a couple more
11		steps in the process anyway.
12		MR. MOSS: Is it possible you could
13		tell us what the steps in the process are
14		just so we understand what we have to do
15		to get you guys happy?
16		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Pat, do you
17		want to talk about the next step before
18		us.
19		Because you're on a State road, we
20		have to refer you to the Orange County
21		Planning Department. Plans will be sent
22		to the County. The County has thirty
23		days to make a comment. There's kind of
24		that lag period of thirty days. When the

thirty days is, over you'll come back

1	Нарру	Tree Retail Cannabis Dispensary 153
2		before the Board, we'll be discussing the
3		I's and the T's that need to be crossed.
4		We'll be setting it up for a public
5		hearing.
6		Do you want to keep talking, Pat.
7		MR. HINES: You hit it right on the
8		head there.
9		It is a Type 2 action. We
10		typically send those to DOT as a courtesy
11		copy.
12		A County Planning referral is
13		required due to the fact that it's on a
14		State highway and it is a special use
15		permit.
16		I know you went through the Zoning
17		Board of Appeals, but now you're back
18		before us.
19		It's a special use permit. A
20		public hearing is required for special
21		use permits.
22		With the Board's approval, we will
23		circulate to the Orange County Planning
24		Department now that you're done with the
25		ZBA. That's one of my comments to

1	Нарру	Tree Retail Cannabis Dispensary 154
2		discuss.
3		Once you're back from County
4		Planning, there would be a public hearing
5		scheduled.
6		MR. MOSS: We have to wait thirty
7		days before we can come back to Planning?
8		Is that how it works?
9		MR. HINES: I will most likely get
10		this out to the County by Friday and that
11		will start their review clock. Sometimes
12		they come back faster, sometimes they use
13		the thirty days.
14		MR. MOSS: There's the thirty days
15		for that, and then we come back to a
16		meeting and you guys make a move for a
17		public hearing. That will be the meeting
18		after that?
19		MR. HINES: That's typically thirty
20		days from then. We put the public
21		hearings out to not the very next meeting
22		but the
23		MR. MOSS: So we're looking at two
24		more months?
25		MR. HINES: Minimal.

1	Нарру Т	ree Retail Cannabis Dispensary 155
2		MR. MOSS: All right. I will get
3	t	the calculations and the application
4	t	to the State is not part of the Orange
5	C	County application you mentioned?
6		MR. HINES: I will circulate that.
7		MR. MOSS: You'll circulate to the
8	S	State as well. Okay.
9		I'm just wondering, do you have any
10	i	idea how long it takes for them to get
11	C	comments?
12		MR. HINES: They have thirty days.
13	S	Sometimes they use it all and sometimes
14	t	they'll answer in two weeks.
15		MR. MOSS: You'll circulate to the
16	S	State and County. I will get the
17	f	frontage, though, because you need that.
18		MR. HINES: You'll address that
19	∇	with Mr. Campbell.
20		MR. MOSS: Okay.
21		MR. HINES: One of my questions is
22	_	I believe you have your variances. I
23	C	didn't see that approval from them.
24		MR. MOSS: We do. It says in the
25	f	first thing under the zoning comments.

1	Нарру	Tree Retail Cannabis Dispensary 156
2		MR. HINES: Jim had it.
3		MR. MOSS: If it matters, I have
4		part of the meeting minutes from Zoning.
5		Is there anything else we need to
6		know? It sounds like we just need to get
7		you the frontage and calculations in
8		order to show the signage on our side,
9		and then the rest of it is not in our
10		hands.
11		MR. HINES: As long as the Board
12		doesn't have any other comments.
13		MR. MOSS: I'd like to address
14		anything else you guys would like to see
15		or have us do.
16		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I think we
17		covered most of the bases now. Whatever
18		might be needed additional, I think it's
19		reasonably safe to say it will be minor
20		and won't hold the project up.
21		MR. MOSS: Okay.
22		MR. CAMPBELL: You might want to
23		review with the State as far as their
24		signage regulations.
25		MR. MOSS: I'll try and review what

1	Нарру	Tree Retail Cannabis Dispensary 157
2		is actually listed.
3		MR. HINES: That's the Office of
4		Cannabis Management's regulations.
5		MR. MOSS: Okay. Give us two days
6		and we will send you whatever we revise
7		before you send it to the State. Is that
8		possible?
9		MR. HINES: We're not going to send
10		it to the State.
11		MR. MOSS: I thought you said you
12		were.
13		MR. HINES: I'm going to send a
14		letter to the State DOT just as a
15		courtesy acknowledgement. Separate from
16		that, I don't know if you want to wait to
17		see the last applicant, but they're back
18		before us
19		MR. PETRELLA: If I can make a
20		comment. The State doesn't review it
21		until you go to get your certification.
22		It behooves you to have it correct now
23		with the Board, otherwise when you go to
24		certify, you're going to be behind. It's
25		not something they'll review prior to.

1	Нарру	Tree Retail Cannabis Dispensary 158
2		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you.
3		That's important to know because we're
4		not experienced in some of the language
5		that we're putting out to the public. We
6		need all the backup and advice. Thank
7		you.
8		MR. PETRELLA: You're very welcome.
9		MR. MOSS: I appreciate that. We
10		will make sure that we have what they
11		want so when they see it, they're going
12		to be happy.
13		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: John Ward, you
14		had something you wanted to say.
15		MR. WARD: Do you have your license
16		yet?
17		MR. MOSS: Yes.
18		MR. WARD: We'll need that, too.
19		MR. CORDISCO: Receipt of the
20		license would be part of the application
21		process. It is certainly a condition of
22		the approval, that the license has to be
23		obtained and maintained.
24		MR. MOSS: We'll get that in to you
25		guys in the next day or two along with

1	Нарру	Tree Retail Cannabis Dispensary 159
2		the verified signage. We'll see you as
3		soon as you guys can get us back on the
4		it sounds like thirty days maybe.
5		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Once we receive
6		the reply from the Orange County Planning
7		Department, you'll be e-mailed or copied
8		on that.
9		MR. MOSS: Okay. That would be
10		great.
11		CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you.
12		MR. MOSS: Thank you.
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14		(Time noted: 9:05 p.m.)
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7	for and within the State of New York, do	
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17	set my hand this 3rd day of July 2025.	
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2	STATE OF NEW YORK : COUNTY OF ORANGE TOWN OF NEWBURGH PLANNING BOARD
3	X In the Matter of
4	In the matter of
5	ELEVATED DREAMS RETAIL CANNABIS DISPENSARY (2025-13)
6	190 South Plank Road
7	Section 64; Block 2; Lot 16 R-1 Zone
9	X
10	AMENDED SITE PLAN - SPECIAL USE PERMIT
11	Data. Tuna 25 2025
12	Date: June 25, 2025 Time: 9:05 p.m.
13	Place: Town of Newburgh Town Hall
L 4	1496 Route 300 Newburgh, NY 12550
15	DOADD MEMDEDC. TOUN D. EWACHEVN Chairman
16	BOARD MEMBERS: JOHN P. EWASUTYN, Chairman KENNETH MENNERICH CLIFFORD C. BROWNE
17	LISA CARVER
18	DAVID DOMINICK JOHN A. WARD
19	ALSO PRESENT: DOMINIC CORDISCO, ESQ.
20	PATRICK HINES JAMES CAMPBELL
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22	APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE: FLOYD JOHNSON
23	X
24	MICHELLE L. CONERO Court Reporter
2.5	845-541-4163 michelleconero@hotmail.com

1	Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 162
2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: The next
3	item of business is Elevated Dreams
4	Retail Cannabis Dispensary. It's
5	an amended site plan and special use
6	permit. It's located on South Plank
7	Road in an R-1. It's being represented
8	by Floyd Johnson.
9	MR. JOHNSON: Good evening,
10	everybody. There are three items that
11	were updated on the drawing, one being a
12	parking table for each of the stalls.
13	Each of the stalls is basically 895
14	square feet. The code is one parking
15	space per 150 square feet. Each store is
16	allowed six parking spaces. This gives
17	us a total of sixty parking spaces off
18	the table.
19	The second item is the sign itself
20	which will go it will be mounted into
21	an existing signage mounting case that's
22	on the building already. That's 18 by
23	125 inches. That gives us 18 square
24	feet. The sign will be brown with white
25	letters mounted into the existing case.

1	Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 163
2	The third item was a secure
3	dumpster would be onsite. The dumpster
4	has a double lock on it which goes
5	through the two lids and a bar which goes
6	over the top to secure it so nobody can
7	get into the dumpster.
8	Those were the items that were
9	added to the drawing.
10	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Comments from
11	Planning Board Members. Dave Dominick.
12	MR. DOMINICK: Not at this time.
13	MR. MENNERICH: No questions.
14	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Floyd, I have
15	one or two questions for you. There
16	currently exists on the site, in the
17	left-hand corner, two dumpsters and a
18	20-foot plus or minus Conex box. You
19	don't have that shown on your site plan.
20	The other question I have for you
21	is, are you proposing to put in the
22	additional parking stalls that you show,
23	because they're nonexisting now in the
24	rear of the property?
25	My third question is, you have a

1	Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 164
2	noted a four-foot concrete sidewalk on
3	the rear of the building. Are you
4	proposing to put in a concrete sidewalk?
5	MR. JOHNSON: No.
6	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Okay. For the
7	record, you show four rectangular shaped
8	boxes that are part of the concrete
9	sidewalk. What are those four symbols
10	for?
11	MR. JOHNSON: So these
12	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: In the rear.
13	In the rear. Do you see where you're
14	showing a sidewalk in the rear of the
15	building? Behind building 1 is a
16	proposed sidewalk. In the rear.
17	MR. JOHNSON: In the rear. You
18	mean I don't recall a sidewalk in the
19	rear from the original site plan that we
20	have.
21	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I bring that up
22	because I'm trying to okay. I don't
23	have an answer for it either.
24	Cliff Browne.
25	MR. JOHNSON: I don't recall.

1	Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 165
2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Who prepared
3	your plans?
4	MR. JOHNSON: I took it off the
5	original site plan that we got from the
6	office.
7	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Do you
8	understand that what we're going through
9	here is an amended site plan and a
10	special use permit?
11	MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
12	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: So the fact
13	that it's an amended site plan, we're
14	looking to approve what is shown. If we
15	approve this, a four-foot sidewalk, then
16	you're going to be expected to build it.
17	Do you follow what I'm saying? There are
18	currently now
19	MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
20	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: two
21	dumpsters in this corner, plus I'll say a
22	15-foot Conex box. It's these details
23	that you have to define on your plan
24	because that's what we're looking at.
25	That's what we're here to discuss.

1	Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 166
2	MR. JOHNSON: Okay. The proposed
3	dumpster is right here. Everybody else
4	has their own dumpster.
5	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Floyd, Floyd, I
6	don't think everyone in the back has a
7	dumpster. I think what we're looking at
8	in the back is maybe
9	MR. HINES: Compressors for the
10	HVAC.
11	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Exactly.
12	They're not dumpsters.
13	MR. JOHNSON: I'm not proposing
14	that they have dumpsters for each
15	building. I only went by what I
16	physically saw and the dumpster that
17	we're putting in.
18	Our dumpster is this one on the
19	corner. There were a couple of other
20	dumpsters in the rear.
21	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Shawn, what
22	we're trying to say here is that this is
23	an amended site plan
24	MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: Yes.
25	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: and that as

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Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 167
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           part of the final approval, --
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                 MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: Yes.
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                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: -- what we'll
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            eventually be approving is what is
            currently existing.
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                 MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: Correct.
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                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: So currently
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            existing there are two dumpsters and a
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           plus or minus 15-foot Conex box.
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                 MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: Yeah. I saw
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            it.
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                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: You saw it.
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            It's not shown here.
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                 MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: We didn't
           think it needed to be shown there. We
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            just added what we were adding, our
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            dumpster.
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                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Help me explain
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            this.
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                 MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: I know what
22
            you're saying.
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                 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I need help
24
           with this.
                 MR. HINES: What we need is --
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1	Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 168
2	what's shown on this plan is what you
3	would have to construct. An example
4	being the four-foot concrete sidewalk to
5	the rear of building 1 isn't in fact
6	there. When you go to the Building
7	Department for your CO, they're going to
8	say where is your four-foot concrete
9	sidewalk. I don't think you want to be
10	building
11	MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: No.
12	MR. HINES: 100 feet of four-
13	foot concrete sidewalk.
14	There are delineated parking spaces
15	shown on this plan that don't exist on
16	the site. You would be expected to put
17	those in if they're shown here.
18	Your dumpster is depicted with
19	symbols that are similar to your
20	dumpster, but they are not dumpsters to
21	the rear of the site. They're something
22	to do with the HVAC.
23	We need the plan updated to show
24	existing conditions and what you're truly
25	proposing so that when you go to get a

1	Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 169
2	CO, someone doesn't come and say you were
3	supposed to do what Jim's office will
4	do is take this plan and say where is
5	this, this and this. We need to have the
6	actual conditions and what you intend to
7	do depicted clearly on this plan.
8	MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: Okay.
9	MR. JOHNSON: The plan shows
10	exactly what's there today. I physically
11	went out and measured all this. All
12	these sidewalks, the canopy overhangs,
13	the way the handicap parking symbols are,
14	all that. I went out there and
15	physically measured because the existing
16	blueprint itself looked nothing like
17	that. I had to go out there physically
18	and measure all of this in order to come
19	up with what's exactly there.
20	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Pat Hines, one
21	more time, please.
22	MR. HINES: I think Shawn hears me.
23	MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: I heard you.
24	MR. HINES: We need to go out and
25	do that. I'm trying to pull up an aerial

1	Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 170
2	to confirm. Really we need to have what
3	you intend to do on the site. I know
4	that you've identified sixty parking
5	spaces. I don't know that there's sixty
6	on the site. I lost my count. I have a
7	dot on each one of them. We need to
8	confirm that. If those parking spaces
9	aren't delineated but are shown on this
10	plan, it will be expected for you to
11	delineate them. If you don't intend to
12	do that, they should not be depicted on
13	the plan.
14	I don't believe there's a four-foot
15	concrete sidewalk to the rear of the
16	building.
17	MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: There's not.
18	It's a stair that goes down.
19	MR. JOHNSON: It wraps down and
20	steps down two steps and then the
21	sidewalk. It steps down right here.
22	When you're at this level, you come down
23	the sidewalk and go down.
24	MR. DOMINICK: We're talking about
25	the back.

1	Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 171
2	MR. MENNERICH: In the back of the
3	building, not the front.
4	MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: In the back of
5	the building.
6	MR. JOHNSON: I'm not familiar with
7	that.
8	MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: I drove back
9	there and I was looking myself.
10	MR. HINES: The reason we bring
11	this up is we're heading toward your
12	required public hearing as a special use
13	and there may be interest from some of
14	the surrounding residents as to what this
15	site looks like in its existing condition
16	and what the proposed conditions are
17	going to be. We need to have that
18	clearly depicted on the plans. There are
19	some residential neighborhoods on Old
20	South Plank Road and typically we do hear
21	from those residents for projects in this
22	area. We want to make sure that when we
23	have a public hearing, we have an
24	accurate depiction of what exists and
25	what is proposed.

1	Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 172
2	MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: Okay.
3	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: It's the rear
4	of the building that isn't detailed based
5	upon what is existing. You have to note
6	those with accuracy. If you're not
7	putting in a sidewalk, this has to be
8	revised to not show a sidewalk.
9	Again, I say there are two
10	dumpsters back there and a Conex box.
11	They have to be shown.
12	If you don't intend on putting in
13	the one, two, three, four, five six
14	parking stalls, then we'll say this
15	concept plan has to remove those six
16	parking stalls.
17	If you could label what these four
18	squares are back there so we know what
19	they are. I don't believe they're
20	dumpsters.
21	You're close. There's a little
22	more detail that you have to clarify.
23	MR. HINES: The other thing I
24	needed clarification on was that the
25	adjoiners' notices have been sent.

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     Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 173
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                 MR. JOHNSON: So when I did this --
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                 MR. HINES: The adjoiners' notices,
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           were they --
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                 MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: He asked about
            the notices. The adjoiners' notices.
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                 MR. JOHNSON: The what?
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                 MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: The notices.
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                 MR. JOHNSON: What notices?
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                 MR. HINES: I sent you an
           adjoiners' notice, a mailing list and
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            instructions on how those were handled.
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                 MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
                 MR. HINES: I don't know that
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            that's been done. I don't believe the
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           Chairman has received back --
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                 MR. JOHNSON: I got that.
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                 MR. DOMINICK: Did you send them
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            out?
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                 MR. JOHNSON:
                               No.
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                 MR. HINES: That's an important
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            step. That's a procedural step.
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                 MR. JOHNSON: I got the instructions
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           but I didn't get the letter. I got
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           the instructions.
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1	Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 174
2	MR. HINES: That's not possible
3	because they're all in the same e-mail.
4	There's three there was the notice,
5	there was an assessor's request form and
6	there was the instructions on how to
7	proceed. Subsequent to that I received
8	the mailing list from the assessor and
9	sent that on to you as well.
10	MR. JOHNSON: That I did get.
11	MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: Is there any
12	way to cc me on the e-mails?
13	MR. HINES: I can. My assistant
14	has your contact information, so I can
15	resend that.
16	MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: Thank you very
17	much.
18	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Maybe what we
19	could do is resend the adjoiners' notice
20	so Shawn could help put it all together.
21	MR. WARD: Floyd, can you hear me?
22	Do you have a license yet? Do you have
23	the license yet for
24	MR. JOHNSON: Do I have a what?
25	MR. HINES: The cannabis license.

1	Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 175
2	MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: Yes.
3	MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
4	MR. WARD: We need a copy for
5	Dominic. You need a copy to give to him.
6	MR. JOHNSON: Okay.
7	MR. JIM CAMPBELL: Shawn, you may
8	want to look at your sign because of the
9	symbols before we do an ARB.
LO	MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: He said I
11	think as long as it's the strip mall
12	colors and the size
13	MR. CAMPBELL: I'm talking about
14	the State cannabis requirements, not the
15	Town.
16	MR. HINES: You may want to stay
17	and listen to the next applicant.
18	MR. SHAWN CAMPBELL: Thank you.
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20	(Time noted: 9:20 p.m.)
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1	Elevated Dreams Retail Cannabis Dispensary 176
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3	CERTIFICATION
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6	I, MICHELLE CONERO, a Notary Public
7	for and within the State of New York, do
8	hereby certify:
9	That hereinbefore set forth is a true
10	record of the proceedings.
11	I further certify that I am not
12	related to any of the parties to this
13	proceeding by blood or by marriage and that
14	I am in no way interested in the outcome of
15	this matter.
16	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
17	set my hand this 3rd day of July 2025.
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21	Michelle Comano
22	Michelle Conero MICHELLE CONERO
23	MICHELLE CONERO
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1	177
2	STATE OF NEW YORK : COUNTY OF ORANGE TOWN OF NEWBURGH PLANNING BOARD
3	X
4	In the Matter of
5	CORTLAND COMMONS RETAIL CANNABIS DISPENSARY (2024-27)
6	5440 Route 9W
7	Section 9; Block 1; Lot 60 B Zone
8	X
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10	AMENDED SITE PLAN
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12	Date: June 25, 2025 Time: 9:20 p.m.
13	Place: Town of Newburgh Town Hall
14	1496 Route 300 Newburgh, NY 12550
15	DOADD MEMBERS TOUN D. EMAGUETAN Glastana
16	BOARD MEMBERS: JOHN P. EWASUTYN, Chairman KENNETH MENNERICH CLIFFORD C. BROWNE
17	LISA CARVER DAVID DOMINICK
18	JOHN A. WARD
19	ALSO PRESENT: DOMINIC CORDISCO, ESQ. PATRICK HINES
20	JAMES CAMPBELL
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22	APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE: BRENDON PETRELLA
23	X MICHELLE L. CONERO
24	Court Reporter 845-541-4163
25	michelleconero@hotmail.com

1	Cortland Commons Retail Cannabis Dispensary 178
2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: The next item
3	of business this evening is Cortland
4	Commons Retail Cannabis Dispensary. It's
5	an amended site plan for the signage.
6	The property is located on Route 9W in a
7	B Zone. It's being represented by Mauri
8	Architects.
9	MR. PETRELLA: So we all are kind
10	of familiar with what's happening. Just
11	to kind of bring the Board up to speed of
12	where we're at and so they have a better
13	understanding as well, the State OCM has
14	regulations, and I forget what it got
15	into. I think it's Part 129 of the New
16	York State Code. That's the operation
17	and physical space of a retail
18	dispensary.
19	What we're looking at is the
20	signage section of that. It limits you
21	to two signs two buildings signs.
22	Right off the bat we had three.
23	We're going to get rid of the S
24	with the star. It also removed any
25	symbols. They don't want symbols and

1	Cortland Commons Retail Cannabis Dispensary $1/9$
2	anything that attracts youth. They will
3	allow the business logo, so there is some
4	play there. They don't allow symbols.
5	Just to make sure, because they are
6	not going to see this until it's up on
7	the building when they come to certify,
8	we're going to err on the side of
9	caution. This is going away since we can
10	only have two.
11	One of the things we never really
12	liked was the square symbol in the gable
13	end. We wanted to change that also.
14	You'll see that change as well.
15	Finally, as I mentioned, you're not
16	supposed to attract or have reference to
17	any colloquialisms, depictions, words or
18	colors that are directly associated with
19	pop culture cannabis. Purple. There are
20	pop culture references to purple
21	marijuana. It does grow and has a purple
22	hue. It's up for interpretation. You
23	could have your regulator come to certify

once you're ready to open and they may

walk away from this color purple and not

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1	Cortland Commons Retail Cannabis Dispensary 180
2	read it that way. Out of an abundance of
3	caution, we're changing it. We don't
4	want to get shut down on that day. We
5	want to open as soon as possible.
6	With those comments given, we have,
7	as I mentioned, omitted one sign. We've
8	gotten rid of the color purple. The font
9	style has stayed the same. We don't feel
10	that will be a problem.
11	The gable signage we made to fit
12	better with the space since we have the
13	opportunity to come back and change it.
14	We feel there's no real association with
15	cannabis. We feel it will fit the
16	building better. It looks a little bit
17	more traditional.
18	Other than that, I will take any
19	questions that you guys have. I'm trying
20	to keep it brief because I know it's a
21	late night.
22	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Thank you.
23	Jim Campbell, are you okay with all
24	this?
25	MR. CAMPBELL: The size of the

1	Cortland Commons Retail Cannabis Dispensary 181
2	signs complies.
3	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Okay. Dave
4	Dominick.
5	MR. DOMINICK: Nothing further.
6	MR. MENNERICH: It looks better.
7	MR. BROWNE: Did they give you any
8	kind of list of symbols that they don't
9	like?
10	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: If you just
11	type in on Google OCM marketing
12	regulations, they'll give you exactly
13	what you are allowed to do on the outdoor
14	sign, too.
15	MR. BROWNE: I'm thinking it might
16	be a good idea for Code Compliance to get
17	the information so you can kind of look
18	at that rather than say gee, I don't know
19	anything and you get stuck in the same
20	MR. CAMPBELL: I check that it
21	complies with the Town Code.
22	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I just
23	wanted to be extra cautious. This is
24	what they said word for word. They may
25	never contain images, logos, symbols,

1	Cortland Commons Retail Cannabis Dispensary 182
2	patterns or similar graphics that say
3	marijuana or dispensary or cannabis leaf.
4	Outdoor signs can never contain images,
5	symbols, patterns, logos or elements that
6	are outside of the maximum information
7	which is the space.
8	MR. PETRELLA: They actually define
9	what maximum information is. I think I
10	wrote that in the letter. That is
11	basically the licensee's name, entity
12	name or doing business as name. They
13	really want to as much as they
14	understand that marketing is important,
15	they really want to limit your presence
16	and your marketing on the building.
17	Obviously they don't want garish signs
18	and letting that children you know,
19	making it seem appealing to children.
20	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: A cannabis
21	leaf, smoking or a joint or anything like
22	that. Some people they allow logos for.
23	They had to fight for it. I was like
24	okav, let's just not do that. It's good

enough. I don't really care about --

1	Cortland Commons Retail Cannabis Dispensary 183
2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: In a way
3	they're like an involved agency.
4	MR. CORDISCO: Correct.
5	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: They're a
6	permitting agency. We really can't
7	question the DOT as to
8	MR. CORDISCO: Absolutely.
9	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Here we go with
10	the State. I think your recommendation
11	is true, but it's not up to Jim Campbell.
12	Jim Campbell is following our code. It's
13	a little bit more involved. We're
14	learning as we go along.
15	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Recently
16	they just allowed billboards. They
17	weren't allowing billboards before. They
18	just allowed that like two months ago.
19	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Billboards?
20	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: What you're
21	allowed to put on billboards. Stuff like
22	that.
23	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Let's discuss
24	the action before us tonight. I
25	appreciate the education, but you're

1	Cortland Commons Retail Cannabis Dispensary 184
2	right, it's getting late in the evening.
3	So the action before us tonight is?
4	MR. CORDISCO: It's an amended ARB
5	approval.
6	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Would someone
7	move for that motion, to grant ARB
8	approval for the two proposed signs that
9	are before us this evening.
10	MR. WARD: So moved.
11	MR. BROWNE: Second.
12	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion
13	by John Ward. I have a second by Cliff
14	Browne. Any questions or comments?
15	MR. DOMINICK: Just a question. If
16	it's being mandated by the State, who are
17	we at the Town level to say no or yes?
18	It is what it is. Shouldn't it just be
19	automatic approval?
20	MR. WARD: Procedure.
21	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: That's a very
22	interesting question. I don't have an
23	answer for it. I don't have an answer.
24	MR. HINES: You're really looking
25	at the colors at this point, I believe,

Cortland Commons Retail Cannabis Dispensary 185 1 2 for ARB. Not the content of the sign or the symbol. 3 4 MR. DOMINICK: Okay. 5 MR. WARD: It looks good on the 6 building. 7 MR. PETRELLA: Tremendously better. 8 This will look way better. The purple is 9 a little garish. 10 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I think we have a motion from John Ward and a second by 11 Cliff Browne. We had discussion. 12 13 we'll move for a motion starting with Dave Dominick. 14 15 MR. DOMINICK: Aye. 16 MR. MENNERICH: Aye. 17 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye. 18 MR. BROWNE: Aye. 19 MS. CARVER: Aye. 20 MR. WARD: Aye. 21 CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: You'll prepare 22 a resolution for the file on this. 23 MR. CORDISCO: Yes, sir. 24 MR. PETRELLA: Thank you, Chair and

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Members.

1	Cortland Commons Retail Cannabis Dispensary 186
2	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Can I please
3	have a motion to close the Planning Board
4	meeting of the 25th of June 2025.
5	MR. DOMINICK: I'll make the
6	motion.
7	MS. CARVER: Second.
8	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: I have a motion
9	by Dave Dominick. A second by Lisa
10	Carver. May I have a roll call vote
11	starting with Dave Dominick.
12	MR. DOMINICK: Aye.
13	MR. MENNERICH: Aye.
14	CHAIRMAN EWASUTYN: Aye.
15	MR. BROWNE: Aye.
16	MS. CARVER: Aye.
17	MR. WARD: Aye.
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19	(Time noted: 9:28 p.m.)
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1	Cortland Commons Retail Cannabis Dispensary 187
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