

# TOWN OF WILNA PLANNING BOARD

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Members

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Yolanda Skvorak

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11.01.2023

## PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR IN PERSON MEETING

**Attendance:** Jon Storms, Robert Fetterly, Yolanda Skvorak, Kathleen Latremore, Charles Florence, William Dutton, and Lori Borland, Secretary

**Absent:** Robert Sligar

**Others Present:** Sean Frusco and Kevin Bliss from RIC Energy, Chris Barboza from Tug Hill Commission and Howard Lyndaker from Kovach Surveyors

Chairman Storms called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**Minutes:** Approval of the minutes from the August 2, 2023 meeting. Motion was made by Mr. Florence, seconded by Mrs. Latremore to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

**Correspondence:** None

**Village of Carthage Business:** None

**Village of Deferiet Business:** None

**Town of Wilna Business:**

RIC Energy is planning a new solar energy project (Wilna II) near the previously planned one on County Rt. 41 in Natural Bridge, just north of the former one that did not come to fruition. It is at 43141 County Rt. 41. Mr. Frusco and Mr. Bliss did a video presentation of the project. The land is owned by Olley and consists of approximately an 84 acre parcel of which about 40 acres would be occupied by this project. This is a Type I SEQR. It was discussed about the more than 15% vegetation removal, and would need a variance by the ZBA. Also needed is a 239M County Planning Review. The Board did not see a problem with this project, subject to the approvals needed, and obtaining a Special Use Permit.

(AFTERNOTE: The 15% of vegetation removal is only for the site on which the project would sit, and this vegetation removal is along the border of the property line, so a variance is not necessary.)

An application was received for a minor subdivision of a pre-existing non-conforming lot on the North Croghan Road in Natural Bridge. The lot is non-conforming because of the dimensions. The lot is 900 feet by 50 feet and currently blocks two lots that are landlocked that sit in Lewis County. A public hearing has been set for December 6, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. The Board agreed that a Resolution would be needed to allow the subdivision, knowing that they are non-conforming lots.

**Next Meeting:** December 6, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Fetterlys, seconded by Mrs. Skvorak to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Lori Borland, Secretary