

## TOWN OF LEWISTON

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ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION June 9, 2020 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Chairmen J. Wolfgang; J Allen; D. Balassone; B. Davey; Z. Collister; M. Feldman;

V. Polka; Councilman Geiben

ABSENT: D. Balla

GUESTS: Ned Perlman; Victor O'Brien; Jennifer Pauly; Janet Faulhaber

## **MINUTES:**

Chairman Wolfgang took attendance.

B. Davey made motion to have March  $10^{\rm th}$  minutes reviewed at next regular meeting J. Allen second and the motion carried.

Review of Tod Craggs site plan for proposed metal sided pole barn on 1974 Langdon Rd. J. Allen noted that this is a gated driveway & is set back from road and does not see any problem with it. J. Allen motioned for a negative declaration; B. Davey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Review of Mount St. Mary's Hospital site plan for a helipad on its concrete parking pad. Ned Perlman presented plan on behalf of Mount St. Mary's. Will be first hospital with helipad for Mercy Flight use in Niagara County. M. Feldman asked about whether traffic will be affected, Mr. Perlman answer that traffic on roads will not be affected. M. Feldman asked about that the approach path would be. Ms. Faulhaber answered that the helicopter will approach from east and take off to the west. V. Polka asked whether the helicopters would be flying over the day care center to which Ms. Faulhaber stated no they would not. M. Feldman asked what drove decision to install a helipad. Ms. Feldman answered that the hospital wants to increase stroke care at the facility. M. Feldman asked what projected use of the helipad would be. Ms. Faulhaber answered a dozen to 20 flights annually based on data for past 20 years. J. Allen asked if pad would be utilized for accident transport in the area. Ms. Faulhaber answered yes. Chairman Wolfgang asked if this requires a public hearing. Mr. Perlman answered that it would not. B. Davey asked what the duration of time between landing & take off. Ms. Faulhaber said roughly 30 minutes but depends on situation. Z. Collister asked about lighting. Ms. Faulhaber asked that there is lighting around fenced area, but not on ground. May add a lighted stop for landing and take off period for internal parking lot traffic. Vic O'Brien from C&S Engineering added that no additional lighting is needed. J. Allen asked if Hospital will take car of leaves, snow, etc. to prevent damage from rotor wash from helicopter landing. Mr. O'Brien & Ms. Faulhaber acknowledged that the Hospital will have maintenance in place for these items. J. Allen asked if roof was looked at as option. Mr. Perlman said yes, but that it was cost prohibitive. Mr. O'Brien added that they have looked at about 7 different options and this was best option over all. Chairmen Wolfgang stated that a box on page 4 of the EAF was not checked for reasons written on the document. Chairman

suggested that this needs to go to Planning Board to answer Mr. Masters' questions. J. Allen made motion that this project is given a negative declaration based on Planning Board answering Tim Masters' questions, V. Polka seconds the motion and the motion carried.

Review of Niagara Properties site plan for a Soil Recycling Center & Composting Facility. No one was present from Niagara Properties or Ensol Engineering representing them. V. Polka advised Commission of e-mail we received at 4:29PM date of meeting from the Town Engineer with concerns. B. Davey made motion to table discussion and review until representatives can be present to answer questions. J. Allen seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Z. Collister to ask Tim Masters to attend next month's meeting to discuss concerns with Modern's inspection.

## Next meeting scheduled for July 14th, 7:00PM.

J. Allen made a motion to adjourn, B. Davey seconded the motion and the motion carried.