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TOWN OF LANSING PLANNING BOARD
MEETING April 22, 2024
Lansing Town Hall, 29 Auburn Road

Board members Present:

Al Fiorille, Chair
Sandy Dennis-Conlon, Vice-Chair
Christine Hass
John Licitra
Larry Sharpsteen

Excused: Thomas Butler
Dean Shea

Also Present:

Kelly Geiger, Planning Clerk, John Zepko, Director of Planning Mason Molesso, Planner,

Public Present:

Dennis Griffin, George Rushlow, Joe Cambridge, Kerry Moore, John Hatfield, Mike Koplinka-Loehr, Anto Parseghian, David Hatfield, Lisa Bonniwell, Rick Charla Hayes, Dan Topoleski, Dale Campbell, Gary Argetsinger, Scott Gibson, Steven Lehr, Tyler Parseghian

Chair Al Fiorille opened the meeting at 6:32 pm.

Action Items:

Project: Site Plan Review - DMF Mechanical new storage barn

Applicant: Dan Topoleski

Location: 390 Peruville Road, Tax Parcel Number 30.-1-28.213

Project Description: The applicant proposes to build/ install a new 30' x 56' pole barn to be used for dry storage. This property is in the AG zone

SEQR: This is a Type II action under SEQR 617.4 environmental review, no further review required

Anticipated Action: Public Hearing, final approval/conditions

Summary of Discussion:

- Dan Topoleski was present to discuss this project.
- Board Approved

39 **RESOLUTION PB 24-03**

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TOWN OF LANSING PLANNING BOARD RESOLUTION - STATE

**ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW (SEQR) NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND
SITE PLAN APPROVAL - DMF MECHANICAL NEW 30 x 56' STORAGE BUILDING, 390
PERUVILLE ROAD TAX PARCEL NO. 30.-1-28.213**

WHEREAS, an application was made by Dan Topoleski for Site Plan approval for the construction of a new 30' x 56' dry storage building (pole barn), located in the AG Zoning district; and

WHEREAS, 6 NYCRR § 617 of the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") requires that a Lead Agency be established for conducting environmental review of projects in accordance with state environmental law, and the Lead Agency shall be that local agency which has primary responsibility for approving and funding or carrying out the action; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board, being the local agency, which has primary responsibility for approving the action declares itself the Lead Agency for the review of this action under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, 6 NYCRR § 617.5 (C)(9) determines "construction or expansion of a primary or accessory/appurtenant, non-residential structure or facility involving less than 4,000 square feet of gross floor area and not involving a change in zoning or a use variance and consistent with local land use controls, but not radio communication or microwave transmission facilities" to be a Type II action, which is not subject to further review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, Project plans, and related information, were duly delivered to the Tompkins County Planning and Sustainability Department per General Municipal Law § 239; *et seq.*, and such **Department responded** in a March 5, 2024, letter from Katherine Borgella, Tompkins County Commissioner of Planning, pursuant to §239 -l, -m, and -n of the New York State General Municipal Law found no intermunicipal impacts; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has considered and carefully reviewed the requirements of the Town code relative to site plan review, the unique needs of the Town due to the

73 topography, the soil types and distribution, and other natural and man-made features upon
74 and surrounding the area of the proposed site plan, and the Planning Board has also
75 considered the zoning in the area and the project in light of the Town's Comprehensive Plan
76 and compliance therewith, and as the underlying use is a permitted use in the zone in which
77 located; and

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79 **WHEREAS**, upon due consideration and deliberation by the Town of Lansing Planning
80 Board, now therefore be it RESOLVED as follows:

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82 1. That the Planning Board of the Town of Lansing does hereby grant Site Plan approval
83 for the construction of a new 30 x 56' dry storage building (pole barn) located at 390
84 Peruville RD - DMF Mechanical.

85 2. Pending Special Conditions: Applicant must, within 60 days from issuance of
86 Certificate of Compliance for new storage building, remove the northern most
87 (furthest north from building) existing storage container from property in addition to
88 enclosing all outdoor equipment and materials under new dry storage structure.

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90 Dated: April 22, 2024

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92 Motioned by: Christine Hass

93 Seconded by: Sandy Conlon

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95 **VOTE AS FOLLOWS:**

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97 **Tom Butler -Absent**

98 **Sandy Conlon -Aye**

99 **Christine Hass -Aye**

100 **John Licitra -Aye**

101 **Larry Sharpsteen -Aye**

102 **Dean Shea -Absent**

103 **Al Fiorille - Aye**

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106 **Project: Site Plan Review** - MPK- Wildlife Resolutions new storage barn

107 **Applicant:** Kerry Moore

108 **Location:** 35 Town Barn Road, Tax Parcel Number 30.-1-23

109 **Project Description:** The applicant proposes to build/ install a new 200' x 32' pole barn to be used for
110 dry storage. This property is in the IR zone

111 **SEQR:** This is an Unlisted action under SEQR 617.4 environmental review, requiring board to complete
112 SEAF pt. 2

113 **Anticipated Action:** Public Hearing, SEQR determination, final approval/conditions
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115 **Summary of Discussion:**

- 116 • Kerry Moore was present to discuss this project.
 - 117 • Dry Storage, no utilities, no locked gate, improve driveway, 1 open side, 3 closed
 - 118 • Neighbor concerned about lighting
 - 119 • Board Approved
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124 **TOWN OF LANSING PLANNING BOARD RESOLUTION - STATE**
125 **ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW (SEQR) NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND**
126 **SITE PLAN APPROVAL - WILDLIFE RESOLUTIONS NEW 200' x 32' STORAGE**
127 **BUILDING, 35 TOWN BARN ROAD TAX PARCEL NO. 30.-1-23**
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129 **WHEREAS,** an application was made by Kerry More (owners agent) for Site Plan approval for
130 the construction of a new 200' x 32' dry storage building located in the IR Zoning district; and
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132 **WHEREAS,** 6 NYCRR § 617 of the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA")
133 requires that a Lead Agency be established for conducting environmental review of projects in
134 accordance with state environmental law, and the Lead Agency shall be that local agency
135 which has primary responsibility for approving and funding or carrying out the action; and
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137 **WHEREAS,** the Planning Board, being the local agency, which has primary responsibility for
138 approving the action declares itself the Lead Agency for the review of this action under
139 SEQRA; and

140 **WHEREAS,** 6NYCRR § 617 classifies this project as an Unlisted action requiring further
141 review by the Planning Board, which upon further review found no significant
142 environmental impacts; and
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144 **WHEREAS**, Project plans, and related information, were duly delivered to the Tompkins
145 County Planning and Sustainability Department per General Municipal Law § 239; *et seq.*, and
146 such Department responded in a March 19, 2024 letter from Katherine Borgella, Tompkins
147 County Commissioner of Planning, pursuant to §239 -l, -m, and -n of the New York State
148 General Municipal Law finding no significant county- wide impacts; and

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150 **WHEREAS**, the Planning Board has considered and carefully reviewed the requirements of
151 the Town code relative to site plan review, the unique needs of the Town due to the
152 topography, the soil types and distribution, and other natural and man-made features upon
153 and surrounding the area of the proposed site plan, and the Planning Board has also
154 considered the zoning in the area and the project in light of the Town’s Comprehensive Plan
155 and compliance therewith, and as the underlying use is a permitted use in the zone in which
156 located; and

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158 **WHEREAS**, upon due consideration and deliberation by the Town of Lansing Planning
159 Board, now therefore be it **RESOLVED** as follows:

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161 1. That the Planning Board of the Town of Lansing does hereby grant Site Plan approval
162 for the construction of a new 200’ x 32’ dry storage building located at 35 Town Barn
163 Road – Wildlife Resolutions

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165 Dated: April 22, 2024

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167 Motioned by: John Licitra
168 Seconded by: Sandy Conlon

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171 **VOTE AS FOLLOWS:**

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173 **Tom Butler -Absent**
174 **Sandy Conlon -Aye**
175 **Christine Hass -Aye**
176 **John Licitra -Aye**
177 **Larry Sharpsteen -Aye**
178 **Dean Shea -Absent**

179 **Al Fiorille-Aye**

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181 **Project: Minor Subdivision**

182 **Applicant:** Michael & Carrie Koplinka – Loher

183 **Location:** 118 Ross Road, Tax Parcel Number 23.-1-20

184 **Project Description:** The applicants propose a subdivision of 118 Ross Road into three (3) smaller,
185 approximately 1.2-1.5 acre, labeled “Parcel A”, “Parcel B” and “Parcel C”. This property is in both L1
186 and RA zoning.

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188 **SEQR:** This is an Unlisted action under SEQR 617.4 environmental review, requiring board to complete
189 SEAF pt. 2

190 **Anticipated Action:** Public Hearing, SEQR determination, final approval/conditions

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192 **Summary of Discussion:**

- 193 • Michael Koplinka-Loher was present to discuss this project.
- 194 • Board approved

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RESOLUTION PB – 24-05

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TOWN OF LANSING PLANNING BOARD RESOLUTION

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STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW (SEQR) NEGATIVE DECLARATION

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AND MINOR SUBDIVISION APPROVAL FOR

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118 ROSS ROAD TAX PARCEL NO. 23.-1-20

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WHEREAS, an application was submitted for Minor Subdivision review by Michael and Carrie Koplinka - Loher, owners of 118 Ross Road, for the proposed subdivision of the existing 47.2 acre lot, Tax parcel number 23.-1-20, into four parcels: “Parcel A” (1.13 acres), “Parcel B” (1.25 acres), “Parcel C” (1.35 acres) and the remaining parent lot. This property is located in both L1 and RA zoning; and

WHEREAS, this is a proposed action reviewed under Town of Lansing Code § 235-6 Minor Subdivision, for which the respective completed applications were received April 2, 2024; and

WHEREAS, 6 NYCRR § 617 of the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA")

214 requires that a Lead Agency be established for conducting environmental review of projects
215 in accordance with state environmental law and the Lead Agency shall be that local agency
216 which has primary responsibility for approving and funding or carrying out the action; and
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218 **WHEREAS**, the Planning Board, being the local agency, which has primary responsibility for
219 approving the action declares itself the Lead Agency for the review of this action under
220 SEQRA; and
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222 **WHEREAS**, the Planning Board has considered and carefully reviewed the requirements of the
223 Town's local laws relative to subdivisions and the unique needs of the Town due to the
224 topography, the soil types and distributions, and other natural and man-made features upon
225 and surrounding the area of the proposed subdivision, and the Planning Board has also
226 considered the Town's Comprehensive Plan and compliance therewith; and

227 **WHEREAS**, this Board, acting as Lead Agency in SEQRA reviews and accepts as
228 adequate: "Final Subdivision Plat" prepared by TG Miller and dated December 21 2024; a
229 Short Environmental Assessment Form (SEAF), Part 1, submitted by the Applicant, and Part
230 2, prepared by the Planning Staff; and other application materials;

231 **WHEREAS**, this action is exempt from the General Municipal Law County Planning
232 referral requirements of General Municipal Law ("GML") §§ 239-1, 239-m, and 239-n
233 through an Inter-Governmental Agreement between the Tompkins County Planning
234 Department and the Town of Lansing dated 24 November 2003, as "residential
235 subdivisions of fewer than 5 lots all of which comply with local zoning standards and
236 Tompkins County Sanitary Code requirements, and do not involve new local roads or streets
237 directly accessing a State or county road" are excluded from GML referral requirements: and

238 **WHEREAS**, on 22 April 2024, the Planning Board reviewed and considered the
239 aforementioned subdivision application in the Lansing Town Hall, 29 Auburn Road,
240 Lansing, New York 14882 and duly held a public hearing on the Minor subdivision
241 application, and all evidence and comments were considered, along and together with the
242 requirements of the Town's subdivision regulations, existing development in the surrounding
243 area, the public facilities and services available, the Town's Comprehensive Plan and the
244 Land Use Ordinance, site characteristics and issues, and any potential on- and off-site
245 environmental impacts; and
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247 **WHEREAS**, upon due consideration and deliberation by the Town of Lansing Planning
248 Board.

249 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Planning Board of the Town of Lansing
250 determines the proposed project will result in no significant impact on the environment and
251 that a Negative Declaration for purposes of Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation
252 Law be filed in accordance with the provisions of Part 617 of the State Environmental
253 Quality Review Act for the action of Minor Subdivision approval for Town of Lansing Tax
254 Parcel Number 23.-1-20, Michael and Carrie Koplinka - Loher owner's; and be it further
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256 **RESOLVED**, that the Town of Lansing Planning Board Grants Final Approval of the
257 Application for a Minor Subdivision of certain land at 118 Ross Road, Lansing, New York,
258 subject to the following conditions:
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- 260 1. The sealing and endorsement of such Minor Subdivision Final Plat by the Planning
261 Board Chair, thereafter, presenting and obtaining the signing of the plat by Tompkins
262 County Assessment Department stamp followed by filing in the Tompkins County
263 Clerk's Office, followed by provision of proof of such filing within the time limit
264 requirements of 62 days with the Town of Lansing Code Enforcement Office.
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266 Dated: 22 April 2024
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268 Motion by: Sandy Conlon

269 Seconded by: Christine Hass
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271 **VOTE AS FOLLOWS:**
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273 **Tom Butler -Absent**

274 **Sandy Conlon -Aye**

275 **Christine Hass -Aye**

276 **John Licitra -Aye**

277 **Larry Sharpsteen -Aye**

278 **Dean Shea -Absent**

279 **Al Fiorille - Aye**
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282 **Other Business:**

- 283 • The Planning Board discussed Planning & Zoning training being held May 13, 2024

284 **Adjourned Meeting**

285 Meeting adjourned at the call of the Planning Board Chair at 7:41pm.

286 Minutes Taken and Executed by Kelly Geiger

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288 **Access to public documents available online at:**

289 **Planning Board Email** tolcodes@lansingtown.com

290 **Town Website** <https://www.lansingtown.com>