

Village of The Branch –Planning Board Meeting
December 19th, 2018

The Planning Board meeting of the Village of The Branch was held in the Village Hall, 40 Route 111, Smithtown, NY 11787, at 7:30 p.m. on December 19th, 2018. .

The following persons were present:

Libby Smith – Chairman

Glenn Haberfield - Member

David Wetzel – Member

Dennis Ryan- Member

Dan Falasco – Village Engineer

ABSENT

Marie Zere – Member

Christine Cozine – Village Clerk

Chairman Libby Smith called the meeting to order at 7:45 pm.

At this time the public Hearing was opened:

Jean-Pierre Lardoux, AIA NCARB from Fusion Architecture presented Citizen’s application for approval of their revised Landscaping site plan for 2 Oaktree Drive; addressing re-landscaping the front corner property where clearing of trees & shrubs had taken place without a Village permit as required.

The Board members asked several questions of Mr. Lardoux regarding the plant selections and location. A discussion followed regarding future visual impairment to oncoming traffic from location of the plantings; and the minimum amount of screening that deciduous trees would provide alone.

It was decided;

1. Mr. Falasco, the Village Engineer would provide a site line or No Planting area on the property’s survey, which Mr. Lardoux would send him. Mr. Lardoux would then amend the Landscaping map accordingly.
2. The Board members suggested a substituting several “deer resistant” evergreen trees for the some of the white oak and maple trees; thus replacing some of the screening factor which was removed by the inadvertent clearing.
3. No further trees should be removed from the site plan without Planning Board prior approval.

Chairman Smith closed the Public hearing at 8:15pm.

Glenn Haberfield made a **motion** to adjourn the Planning Board meeting. Dennis Ryan seconded the **motion**. All approved unanimously.

Planning Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Libby Smith – Planning Board Chairman