

Village of The Branch Planning Board Meeting
November 15th, 2023
Track #78

The Planning Board meeting of the Village of The Branch was held at Village Hall, 40 Route 111 Smithtown, NY at 7:30 p.m. on November 15th, 2023.

The following persons were present:

John Carro- Acting Chairman
Valerie Lindeman- Member
Michael Kelly – Member
Glenn Haberfield – Member not present

Christine Cozine- Village Clerk
Dan Falasco – Village Engineer not present
Maureen Fitzgerald- Member

John Carro, acting Chairman due to Libby Smith retiring, called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm.

Christian Spenziero representing Charge Smart LLC and Dylan representing Acadia Realty– Mr. Spenziero brought plans with changes from last meeting. **Plan I** has 360 KW charges as opposed to the 180KW in the first site plans. The reason for the change is the whole industry is moving towards more powerful stations. This is a bigger station so had to push the curbs out. This is a BTC power station, so the dispenser is slimmer and smaller. One power model has 2 dispensers. The plan also has planting details and ADA curb requirements.

NACS plugs – Tesla opened them up to fit Ford and future cars, not just Tesla.

CCS – all cars but Tesla.

By 2027 almost all vehicles will be on NACS plugs.

1 parking stall per station, 360KW. If one car is charging, it will get a full 360KW charge, but if another car comes it will split the charge and each car gets 180KW.

Plan II- 240KW chargers and are smaller than 360KW. It will be 4 stations taking up 5 spots as opposed to six spots with the 360KW. They have a bigger screen, but no advertising will be on it. It will have a smaller platform, which 3 spots and 1 handicap with 7 ft accessible aisle.

Will come with CCS plugs, by Spring 2024 NACS will have retro fit.

Valerie Lindeman asked what do you do if you wanted to add more EV charger spots? Mr. Spenziero said they would just get a bigger transformer and upgrade it so it won't be a problem.

Mike Kelly made a **motion** to accept Plan II site plans with the condition of the requirements Dan Falasco made with as built survey and a licensed surveyor lay out the install before CO is given. Valerie Lindeman seconded the **motion**, all in favor and approved unanimously.

John Carro – yes

Mike Kelly – yes

Valerie Lindeman – yes

Maureen Fitzgerald - yes

Chairman Carro also noted he would like a copy of the letter from PSEG approving the sketches of the poles.

Mr. Spenziero said most likely start construction in the Spring of 2024 and possibly present plans for the Branch Shopping Center in January 2024 sometime.

Valerie Lindeman made a **motion** to accept the August 16, 2023, Planning Board Minutes. Mike Kelly seconded the **motion**, all in favor and approved unanimously.

Valerie Lindeman made a **motion** to close the meeting at 8:09pm. John Carro seconded the **motion**, all in favor and approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by
Christine Cozine – Village Clerk