

Village of The Branch – Planning Board Meeting
May 17, 2017

The Planning Board meeting of the Village of The Branch was held in the Village Hall, 40 Route 111, Smithtown, NY 11787, at seven p.m. on May 17, 2017. The following persons were present:

Libby Smith- Chairman	Christine Cozine – Village Clerk
Marie Zere – Member (arrived 7:40pm)	Dan Falasco – Village Engineer
Dennis Ryan – Member	Tom Newman – Village Trustee
David Wetzel- Member	John Carro – Village Trustee

Chairman Libby Smith called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Dennis Ryan made a **motion** to accept the April Planning Board minutes with the changes noted by Chairman Libby Smith. David Wetzel seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Acadia presented the new application for storage located at the back of LA Fitness. (storage of 2 front end loaders; 1 is a skid steer) They are looking for temporary storage from October 1st through April 30th, which is in line with their snow removal contract. Acadia is also looking for a temporary location of overflow snow removal equipment in 3 parking stalls behind the staircase exiting LA Fitness.

Dennis Ryan inquired about the equipment having proper licenses. Jeremy from Acadia said the bobcats can never get a license plate and no trailers will be left on site. Skid steers are not registered with DMV, but do have titles to them.

Marie Zere commented that she thinks shopping centers should be able to store salt and sand to be prepared for storms. Jeremy commented he only was here to discuss snow removal equipment not salt and sand storage.

Village Engineer made some good point to Heather Sonnenberg with regard to wording on the revised site plan proposal. Dan suggested the Planning Board reviews and evaluates the site plan in April of next year after the season is over. Issue a “conditional approval” to make sure all is well and revisit at May 2018 meeting. Put on site plan no sand/salt storage and snow removal vehicles only. This is applicable to Commons, Branch Shopping Center for titled and insured vehicles. Also the Fire Lane needs to be striped, and Jeremy should get in touch with Fire Marshall Greg Anderson. Also should make sure the equipment is in good operating condition (physically esthetic.)

Dennis Ryan made a **motion** to accept the conditional approval of the temporary site plan and revisit at the May 2018 meeting. David Wetzel seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Marie Zere made a **motion** for seasonal snow removal equipment October 1- April 30 good physical operating condition, no sand or salt, all snow removal vehicles limited to Commons/Branch shopping Centers, all equipment to be licensed, insured and or titled, and extra

storage area is for temporary storage of snow removal equipment. Dennis Ryan seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Marie Zere made a **motion** to close the meeting. David Wetzel seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Cozine
Village Clerk