

Watertown Township
Planning commission
Special Meeting
April 5, 2018

Members Present: Mark Batkie, Dale Schoen, Amanda Aldrich, William Dixon and Sheila Coats, also present Zoning Administrator, Richard Honaman.

Members Absent: Al Stoutenburg

Guests: Steve Ellis and his support group.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Dale Schoen, all present rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda: No changes.

Minutes: Any additions or corrections from March 15, 2018, motion to approve minutes by William Dixon, second by Amanda Aldrich, minutes approved.

Steve Ellis stood and told how he was State approved to process deer and retail packaged beef and pork. All is contained in his garage, current facilities same as deer processing facility. Now the State is requiring facilities to meet requirements of State so he has decided to sell retail meat sales. Mark Batkie has asked if he can combine the two businesses? Steve said no, have to wash facilities in between, deer (which is done only in the fall) and then beef and pork. Everything is required to be State regulated. Dale asked if any slaughtering / No stated Steve. William Dixon asked about parking. Steve stated he had any plans to expand and add circle drive. Rich Honaman stated home occupations are within existing facilities and is secondary to use of residence. There would be no odor, no outdoor storage, not more than 1 employee outside of family. Signs cannot exceed 9 square feet and only be on one side.

William Dixon made a motion to approve Steve Ellis' request for retail sales of meat products. Seconded by Amanda Aldrich, motion approved.

There was some discussion on where to find the rules and regulations. There being no further business before the Planning Commission there was motion to adjourn by William Dixon, seconded by Mark Batkie, motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted: *Sheila Coats*, **Watertown Township Planning Commission**