



# MINUTES

## Town of Binghamton Planning Board

Monday January 10, 2022 | 6:30pm

**In attendance:** Bill McGowan – Planning Board | Kathy Kiekel – Planning Board  
Ray Mastin – Planning Board | Christopher Streno – Planning Board  
Michael Donahue – Town Board Liaison     **Absent:** Dave West – Planning Board

The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm.

Mr. McGowan began the meeting saying a few words to recognize long time town resident Jim Cadden who recently passed away. He remarked about Mr. Cadden's participation and attendance at many Planning Board and Town Board meetings over the years and he wanted to take a moment to mention his passing.

Attendance was taken and the Minutes from the December Special Meeting were recognized after having been previously emailed to all Members and posted on the town's website.

Mr. McGowan discussed the Battery Energy Storage Systems Committee he is on with Town Board members Mike Donahue and Mark Leighton and town residents Mike Tokos and Robert Rosenkrans. Ray and Scott Mastin have joined the Committee and their next will be meeting January 11<sup>th</sup>. They believe that the Committee's work will be done by April and then it will be up to the Town Board and Attorney to develop a plan or policy.

Discussion was made regarding the Atlas Solar Project proposed for private property on Powers Road. It was noted that the Zoning Board of Appeals was concurrently meeting with Atlas officials regarding their zoning request and that should it move forward through the ZBA then the Planning Board would be the in line for review.

The Verizon Tower Project, which was the subject of the Planning Board's Special Meeting in December, was approved by the Town Board at their final meeting of 2021.

The training status of the Members was reviewed and all present agreed that the totals were accurate. A new training hours total will be established for each Member after the appropriate carryover hours are calculated.

The meeting was concluded and adjourned at 6:48

Respectfully submitted,

**Christopher Streno -Planning Board Chairperson**