

**TOWN OF ESPERANCE
ZONING RE-WRITE COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
April 3, 2014**

PRESENT:

Susan Brower
Michelle Brust
Shane Nickle, Senior Planner, Schoharie County Planning and Development Agency
Lisa Ovitt
Thomas Slater

ABSENT:

Bill Brynda
Raymond Gillis Sr.
Jane Hickey
Joseph J. Kopacz
Pamela Newell
Timothy Rank

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Nickle at 7:39p.m. Some discussion occurred but no decisions were made as there was no quorum.

Outdoor wood burning furnaces were discussed. The Esperance Village has a law that states they are not allowed in the front yard. Some recommendations for the Town were discussed. Two ideas were recommended:

- 1) In R-3 districts where the lot size is less than an acre, a special use permit should be required,
- 2) Where they are permitted, they should be located behind the home.

There was a discussion on slaughterhouses. It is recommended that they not be prohibited, but that more research needs to be done regarding slaughterhouse sizes.

Commercial zones were discussed and a few recommendations were made.

- 1) Extend commercial zone on Route 20 from Sloansville toward Esperance
- 2) Extend commercial zone on Route 20 from Sloansville to Carlisle Town line.
- 3) Leave the 162/30A commercial zone as is
- 4) Utilize Special Use Permits to guide architectural design for commercial property.

Next Meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:30pm. A quorum is desired for that meeting as the committee needs to make some decisions.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Thomas H. Slater