

A regular meeting of the Village of Millbrook Planning Board was held on Tuesday June 18, 2019 at the Village Hall, 35 Merritt Avenue at 7:00 p.m. Acting Chairman Joseph Still called the meeting to order. Mr. Still announced that Kay Ulrich will be the new Chairperson going forward.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Still.

Mr. Still asked for a motion to accept the minutes of May 20, 2019. Mr. Forte made a motion, all were in favor.

### New Business

PUBLIC HEARING- 11 Friendly Lane, Grid No. 6765-18-471134. William Smith, applicant – HVAC & Generator replacement for Verizon New York, Inc. Michael Sloan of Sloan Architects representative for the applicant.

Frank Muoio, Gary Dragona & Michael Sloan were present to represent the application. Mr. Muoio stated that the building provides 911 and all the phone service in the area. The generator is on its last leg and not big enough for the capacity of the building. They would like to replace the generator and at the same time, the HVAC. They will put the new generator where the HVAC was and move the new HVAC away from the back of the building to be more neighbor friendly.

The HVAC that will be installed is super quiet. At 32' it operates at 53 db's and that is when it is running at 100%. It won't run both units because that is redundant, so it will actually be less than 53 db's.

In regard to the generator, at 100% capacity is 75 db's at 23'. That unit will only run at 60% for the building capacity. Fully loaded it will only run 90%. It is also going into a sound enclosure, so it should be even quieter. It runs on #2 fuel oil.

The existing generator is right on the property line in the back and operating at close to 80 db's.

The generator will be run for 1 hour once a month for testing during the day and will only run otherwise when there is an emergency.

Mr. Still asked for a motion to open the public hearing. Mr. Forte made a motion. All were in favor.  
PUBLIC HEARING OPEN.

Shanley King of 28 Merritt Ave addressed the board. Ms. King stated that she has a view of the generator and the HVAC. Will the new generator be as noisy? The applicant stated that it will be quieter and will be moved to another location. The entire generator will be inside an enclosure. Ms. King is in favor of the upgrades to make it more efficient.

Another abutter addressed the applicant. This time of year they hear the HVAC, the applicant stated that they will no longer hear it once it is upgraded.

The applicants stated that the project will take about 4 months. Shrubs will be placed in the back to provide better screening. The upgrades to the front will be more decorative.

INAUDIBLE.

The public approached the table to see the plans. A discussion followed.

Mr. Forte asked what size the generator will be. The applicants stated that it is 125KW. Mr. Forte agrees that this is the best option for sound and efficiency.

In terms of the old generator location, the concrete pad and retaining wall that they taking out , the footprint of the new HVAC enclosure will be 20 sq. ft. less. In terms of building area on the site, it is a smaller footprint.

Mr. Schwandt asked the applicants if there was any information on the construction of the enclosure. The applicants brought sample material to show the board. It will be white to match the building, pressure treated frame.

Mr. Schwandt asked if there was any concern that the enclosure wouldn't block the sound. A discussion followed. You likely will not hear the sound from the sidewalk.

The content of the HVAC wall is to block it from view.

The decibels are considerably less than a standard home, which are about 70 db's.

The design of the enclosure is picking up the detail around the front door to keep it visually consistent.

The applicants plan to start the project in the fall.

There were no additional questions from the members of the board.

There were no objections from the public.

Mr. Forte made a motion to close the public hearing, all were in favor. PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Mr. Still asked if all were in favor of the application. All members were in favor of the application.

There being no further applications, Mr. Forte made a motion to close the meeting, Mr. Schwandt seconded, all were in favor. Meeting closed at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Regina Crawford, Secretary