Roxbury Town Planning Board Meeting Roxbury Town Hall October 20, 2021

The regular meeting of the Town of Roxbury Planning Board was called to order at 7:30 PM at the Roxbury Town Hall.

Present: Chairman Phillip Zorda, members David Cowan, Brad Zambri, Diane Munro and Kevin DePodwin. Andy Acker of the Delaware County Planning and Allyson Phillips were also present via Zoom.

The Minutes of the July 21, 2021 meeting were approved on motion of Brad Zambri, second by Kevin DePodwin. AYES – All.

There were no meetings in August or September.

Hughes Energy Municipal Solid Waste Processing Facility, NYS Rt. 23

This meeting was held for the Board to discuss the status of this facility and the Draft Scoping Document prepared by Hughes. There were two residents at the meeting with approximately a dozen attending by Zoom. It was made clear to the attendees that the Board would not be taking comments and any comments should be addressed to the DEC.

The DEC, as Lead Agency in the SEQR review of this project, gave the project a Positive Declaration and will require a Draft Environmental Impact Statement. Hughes prepared a Draft Scoping Document and submitted it to the DEC on October 20th. Public comments on the Draft Scoping Document can be sent to the DEC by November 20th.

Allyson gave a concise explanation of the timeline and steps to be followed from the Draft EIS to the Final EIS and ultimately to the written findings of the Lead Agency (DEC) and the other involved agencies. No permits can be issued for the project prior to completion of the SEQR process. The Site Plan review will then be continued by the Board.

There was a discussion by board members concerning some of the concerns with the project. It was decided that the members will send their comments on the Draft Scoping document to the chairman by October 27th. The chairman will then compile the comments and forward to Allyson to be put in the proper form to be submitted to the DEC. The chairman will then send the comments to all board members for review before sending to the DEC by November 20th.

A motion to authorize the chairman to sign and forward the comments letter to the DEC was made by Diane Munro, second by David Cowan. AYES – All.

On motion of Brad Zambri, second by Diane Munro, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM. AYES – all Phillip Zorda, Chairman