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**Colden Environmental Board Meeting**

June 4, 2019 Environmental Board Minutes

**EB Members Present:** Linda Antowiak (Assistant), Craig Bouquin (Chairperson),  
Ellen Eigenbrod, and Deborah Jusiak

**Absent:** Deborah Pasco

**Also Present:** Jim DePasquale (Town Supervisor),  
Gerry Pietraszek (Councilman),  
Keith Van Lew, and approximately 4 Residents

Craig Bouquin called the June 4, 2019 Environmental Board Meeting to order at 7:02 PM in the courtroom at the Colden Town Hall.

**September Minutes**

The Board Members reviewed the September minutes and Linda motioned to approve the minutes and Ellen seconded. Three out of four Board Members were in favor. Deb abstained her vote because she was absent from the September meeting.

**Keith Van Lew Enterprises**

Mr. Keith Van Lew reviewed his intentions with the Board Members for his repair facility located on his property. The garage will be used for basic mechanical services, minor collision repair, and reselling Southern rust free vehicles. The Board Members asked if anyone had concerns and to approach the Board. A Neighbor was concerned about air quality, drainage, waste water and a decrease in property value. The concerns were addressed by Mr. Keith Van Lew. Mr. Keith Van Lew stated that he ventilated his building as regulated by code and his building doesn't have running water. The water supply comes from his house using hoses and offered to have his water tested. Ellen recommended that Mr. Keith Van Lew could research a grease and oil separator tank, for waste products. Mr. Keith Van Lew agreed to research the recommended tank.

### SEQR Review

The Board Members reviewed the SEQR with MR. Keith Van Lew.

Question 4: All land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action:

The Board Members checked Residential (Suburban)

Question 10: The proposed action will connect to existing public/private water supply was checked yes by the Board Members.

Question 17: The proposed action will create storm water discharge; either from point or non-point sources was checked yes for part (a) and (b). The explanation is French drains for the established conveyance systems. The short survey was agreed upon by the Board Members that the repair shop will have a small impact or no change. The Board Members recommended for Mr. Keith Van Lew to meet with the Planning Board for zoning concerns. Mr. Keith Van Lew will receive the recommendation from the Environmental Board along with the Planning Board meeting date by mail.

### Kuhn Property

Mr. & Mrs. Kuhn addressed the Board with their concerns regarding a Neighbor's farm. The concerns discussed were related to the smell of the farm and water drainage. Mr. & Mrs. Kuhn had pictures of liquid manure running down their driveway from drainage issues and they're concerned about the runoff reaching their well. They also mentioned the smell of the farm and they're unable to enjoy their property. The concern for property values was also mentioned. The concern for the animals' well-being was also mentioned and the Board suggested contacting the NYS Health Department. Mr. & Mrs. Kuhn did file a complaint in 2015 regarding their concerns and Jim DePasquale was going to review the Town records. The Board will review the concerns with the Town Attorney.

Ellen motioned to adjourn at 9:02 PM, seconded by Deb. Motioned approved.

Submitted by: Crystal Barrett