

APPROVED Minutes - SPECIAL

MEETING

**BROOKFIELD PLANNING COMMISSION
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2011 at 7:30 pm
MEETING ROOM #135 – TOWN HALL, 100 POCONO ROAD**

1. **Convene Meeting:** Chairman J. Van Hise convened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. and established a quorum of members: Chairman J. Van Hise; Secretary A. Kerley; Regular members R. Baiad and D. Frankel. Also present: First Selectman W. Davidson (*for informational purposes only*).

Absent: P. Conlon, Regular Member.

2. Correspondence
 - a. Letter from Shokoofeh Rezazadeh, Aquarion Water Company to Zoning Commission dated 12/7/11 Re: Diversion Permit Application, Greenridge Interconnection
 - Permit Application Transmittal Form – copy on cart (*copy was scanned and e-mailed to Commissioners*)

Chairman Van Hise noted the above-referenced correspondence, adding that additional information had been supplied by the Land Use Office Manager, K. Daniel. First Selectman Davidson then offered to provide details of this proposal for the Commission, updating them on the current status of the project as well as what necessitates the Commission's action tonight.

The Commission is to render an opinion based on the information provided within the diversion permit application of Aquarion Water Company which is presently running a water line down Route 25. United Water currently provides that resource to the Greenridge Tax District part of town, and when Aquarion's new water line reaches that location, the DEEP rules that this permit must be in place to assure reasonable environmental diversion of the water, since in excess of 50,000 gallons per day are being moved between these companies. The "hand-off" location, so to speak, will be at Thomsen Farm Road.

D. Frankel asked if this new water line would remedy the contamination situation in Greenridge, and was assured the water quality would be "the same as at Town Hall." Chairman Van Hise wanted clarification on why action was needed so quickly, and First Selectman Davidson explained that this permit process can be lengthy, and the water company has been working quickly to get the lines in place. The Commission's opinion at this time would help to expedite the process.

A motion was made by A. Kerley stating that the Planning Commission casts a favorable approval of the water diversion application for Aquarion Water Company to serve the Greenridge interconnection. R. Baiad seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

3. **Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn at 7: 40 p.m. was mdae by R. Baiad, seconded by

D. Frankel, and carried unanimously.

J. Van Hise, Chairman