

Town of Sodus Zoning Board of Appeals

6/23/2025

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PRESENT

James Russell – Member
Kim Buell – Member
John Hayslip - Vice Chair
Sal Vittozzi – Member
Ray Stacy - Ad Hoc

ABSENT

David Johnson – Chair

GUESTS

Dale Pickering
Nate Keenen
Laura Smith

John Hayslip: 7 o'clock, I'd like to convene the Zoning Board of Sodus. I'm John Hayslip, vice chair of the board. Everybody want to introduce themselves? **Kim Buell. Jim Russell. Ray Stacy. Sal Vittozzi.**

John Hayslip: First item on the agenda will be to approve minutes from the last meeting. Anybody have any corrections or adjustments to the minutes? I'll entertain a motion. **Kim Buell:** I'll move we accept the minutes. **James Russell:** Second. All in favor? Aye.

Application #13094 Site Plan Amendment for Special Use Permit by Bell Atlantic Mobile Systems d/b/a Verizon Wireless, to erect a Telecommunication Tower moving the location of the tower 175' to the east from the original site plan, at 7863 Ridge Rd. E. Sodus, NY 14551.

Laura Smith: My name is Laura Smith, I'm with Nixon Peabody, and I am joined with Nate Keenan with Tectonic Engineering, and together we represent Verizon Wireless. We were here just about spring of 2024 for a special permit and a site plan review for a tower to be located on the fireman's field.

It then went through the approval process with me and went to the State Historic Preservation Office who requested the site be moved 175 feet to the east, and that is the application that's before you today. On exhibit 15 of the application, a good visual of where the site was that was already approved, and then the request from State Historic Preservation Office, again, the schoolhouse is right on the other side of North Geneva Road.

Kim Buell: Was that due to the proximity to the schoolhouse?

Laura Smith: It was, yes, requested from the State Historic Preservation Office.

The big concern that they had was that we were in the field and they thought visually that it was going to impact the schoolhouse, the historical property, so they said if we could move it into the woods the compound around the ground would be better hidden in the tree line. Not really the tower itself. The access road is basically the same but extended.

Nate Keenan: Utility routing is staying the same, everything's staying the same, just extended into that tree line.

John Hayslip: Any other thoughts? Do you have questions, all right, I'll entertain a motion.

James Russell: I'll make a motion to accept the modification.

Sal Vittozzi: Second.

John Hayslip: All in favor? All aye.

John Hayslip: If there is nothing left to discuss I need a motion to adjourn. **Kim Buell:** I will make a motion. **Sal Vittozzi:** I second. **John Hayslip:** All in favor. All ayes. The meeting adjourned at 7:10.

Submitted by,
Chandra Jensen
Zoning Board Secretary