

TOWN OF PARMA PLANNING BOARD  
April 20, 2015

Members present:

Chairman  
Executive Secretary

Tod Ferguson  
Dennis Scibetta  
Bob Pelkey  
Mark Acker  
Mike Reinschmidt

Members Absent:

Steve Aprilano

Public Present: Roger O'Dell, Richard Maier (Maier Land Surveying) Edwin Morelli  
& Frank Guzman.

Meeting started at 7:00 p.m.

***A motion was made by Mark Acker to approve the April 2, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Motion was seconded by Mike Reinschmidt. Motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Steve Aprilano absent).***

There being a typographical error in the first minutes of February the January 19, 2015 minutes were not properly approved. ***Therefore a motion was made by Bob Pelkey and seconded by Mike Reinschmidt to approve the January 19, 2015 as presented. Motion carried unanimously 4-0. (Steve Aprilano absent).***

PUBLIC HEARING

Safety Reaction Team Training Facility – Commercial Site Plan 5090 Ridge Road West  
Chairman Tod Ferguson read the legal notice.

Richard Maier reviewed with the Board the following:

1. In addressing the federal wetlands on the property the applicants hired a federal biologist to come out and mark the federal wetlands on the property.
2. Because of the wetlands the fire range has been moved to be completely on the commercial part of the property.
3. The range will be 150 feet long.
4. There are 12 parking spots on the property.
5. Targets have been added to the plans.

Chairman Tod Ferguson read the following correspondence:

1. Monroe County Department of Planning and Development: March 27, 2015
2. Town Engineer: March 13, 2015

The following issues were reviewed in regards to the referral agencies comments:

1. No trees were range is being moved to.
2. Pond added to plan.
3. Owner's names of adjoining property have been added to the plans.
4. Setbacks have been added to the plans.
5. Notes on plans setting out the requirements for the environmental cleanup.
6. Noise decibels are shown on plans.
7. Gate added on plans.
8. Berm re-designed.
9. Range not open to public.
10. Access easement added to plan.
11. Erosion control added to plans.
12. Town standards notes are on plans.

A lengthy discussion was held on whether the Board felt a licensed engineer needed to sign the plans. It was decided that an engineer's "wet seal" was not needed.

Chairman Ferguson opened the public hearing.

Public Comments:

Roger O'Dell – 274 Burritt Road

-stated that he is concerned with gun fire in the Town of Parma. Mr. Morelli and Mr. Guzman explained what type of training will be done on site, the site will be used strictly for their students, only pistols will be used on site and the instructors on site will be law enforcements instructors.

-asked if there will be restrictions on hours and days that the range will be allowed to be used. Mr. Morelli and Mr. Guzman stated that they will only be using the site from sunrise to dusk that there would be no lighting on site.

A lengthy discussion followed on the hours of operation.

Mr. Reinschmidt explained that to the audience that once the Board approves the plans any changes to the site or hours of operation would have to come before the Board for approval.

Chairman Ferguson asked if the applicants felt that there would be any day that they did not feel they would be using the range. Mr. Morelli and Mr. Guzman explained the course they will be teaching. It is a 47 hour class that will take up to 3 weeks to complete because the majority of the students have full times jobs and the course will have to be completed around the schedules of the 10 students. Mr. Morelli and Mr. Guzman explained how the training will be administered to the students.

It was decided that the range will be open Monday thru Saturday from dusk to dawn. And that if the applicants needed to have training on a Sunday they need to submit a request to the Building Department by the Friday preceding the Sunday they wish to be open for their review and approval.

Mr. O'Dell asked if the applicants are planning on renting out the range to other school or organization. Has there been any thought as to how much shooting will take place each week? Mr. Morelli and Mr. Guzman explained that it will be just on class for three weeks, they will not be running multiple classes at a time. So the time at the range will be limited to the amount of time needed for completion of the training required for passage of the class.

Mr. O'Dell again asked if they applicants are asked to rent out the range will they be renting it out and if so will there be shooting 7 days a week 8 hours a day?

A lengthy discussion was held on this issue.

Chairman Ferguson stated that by limiting it to the applicant's students the daily use will be limited. If the applicants want to rent out the range they will need to come back to the Board for review and approval.

Mr. Scibetta stated that the applicants school is regulated by the Department of Justice and that the Building Department has had questions and concerns from other citizens of the Town but the applicants have addressed all these questions and concerns as represented by the fact no other citizens are present at tonight's meeting.

A discussion was held on how the Board would be able to regulate how much time the range is being used. The applicants and the Board agreed that the applicants would keep detailed records for the first three (3) classes that use the range, setting out number of students, how many rounds were shot, the day and time range was used. The applicants will then provide that information to the Building Department who will pass the information on to the Board for review.

Chairman Ferguson closed the public hearing.

Mr. Scibetta asked if the applicants were planning on using "paint ball" ammunition as previously discussed. They stated not at this time.

Mr. Reinschmidt stated that he is concerned for hunters' safety during hunting season. Mr. Morelli and Mr. Guzman stated that the property is privately owned, is posted as such and hunters need to get permission from the owner to hunt on the property.

Chairman Ferguson asked if the range will be posted. Mr. Morelli and Mr. Guzman stated that the range will be posted.

The Planning Board accepted lead agency for SEQR.

SEQR:

Using information from Part 1, the Planning Board answered questions 1 through 11 on Part 2. The Board determined that this proposed site is listed as a Type II unlisted action under the SEQR requirements.

Using the Part 2 tools, the Planning Board determined that there would be no impact to the environmental resources evaluated in Questions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11. These were all checked as "no or small impact may occur" on Part 2.

As a result of the project design the Planning Board has determined that significant adverse impacts are unlikely to occur and will not require preparation of an environmental impact statement.

***Mike Reinschmidt made the following motion; that after reviewing the project under the standards set out by Section 617 of the New York State Environmental Quality Review I make a motion to classify this application as a Type II UNLISTED action under SEQR. Bob Pelkey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Steve Aprilano absent).***

***Bob Pelkey made the following motion; Upon completion of part II of the Short Environmental Assessment Form as set out by 6 NYCRR Part 617, State Environmental Quality Review, the Board has determined that this project will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts and make a motion to grant a negative declaration for this project. Mike Reinschmidt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Steve Aprilano absent).***

***Mike Reinschmidt made a motion to grant preliminary approval of this site plan, Mark Acker seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Steve Aprilano absent). Motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Steve Aprilano absent).***

After a short discussion, ***Bob Pelkey made a motion to grant final approval with the following conditions:***

- the Range is posted***
- shooting on the range is limited to the students of the applicant's school***
- only 5 shooters at the line at a time***
- hours are from dawn to dusk, Monday thru Saturday***
- if the applicants wish to use the range on Sunday they must submit notice to the Building Department by the Friday***

***preceding the Sunday they wish to use the range for the Building Departments review and approval.  
-the applicants will submit the required documentation, as set out above, to the Building Department after three full completed classes for the Board's review.***

***Mike Reinschmidt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Steve Aprilano absent).***

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***There being no further business, a motion was made by Mark Acker and seconded by Bob Pelkey to end the meeting at 8:18 pm. Motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Steve Aprilano absent).***

Respectfully submitted,  
*Maureen L. Werner*  
Maureen L. Werner,  
Recording Secretary