

TOWN OF OTEGO PLANNING BOARD

Public Hearing

April 29, 2025

The Public Hearing opened at 7:04 pm for a Special Use Permit requested by Kevin Eric Eberling at 399 County Highway 48 in Otego with tax # 325.00-1-8.22. The application is for an addition of heavy equipment rental to a pre-existing shed and trailer sales business.

Mr. Eberling states this will include no additional building. Parking for customers will remain as it is presently.

There was no further concerns or discussion offered from the floor and no written concerns were received.

Mr. Eberling will bring to Lois receipts from the adjoining property owners.

The issue regarding signage will be discussed during the regular meeting as it is not part of the application.

Motion made by Kathy Leahy, seconded by Lonnie Ridgway, to ~~accept~~ close this Public Hearing. No discussion.

Vote: Yes: 4 No: 0 Motion Carried.

Lois closed the Public Hearing at 7:14 pm.

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Minutes of Regular Meeting

April 29, 2025

Planning Board Members Present:	Lois Chernin, Mark Dye, Kathy Leahy, Lonnie Ridgway
Planning Board Members Absent:	None
Planning Board Member Excused:	None
Planning Board Alternate Present:	None
Planning Board Recording Secretary Present:	Colleen Bushnell
Codes Officer - Dan Wilber:	Present
Town Board Liaison - Jimmy Hamm:	Present
Members of the Public:	3

The regular meeting of the Town of Otego Planning Board opened at 7:15 pm.

The minutes from the March 18, 2025 regular meeting were reviewed by members.

Motion made by Kathy Leahy, seconded by Lonnie Ridgway, to accept the minutes as written. No discussion.

Vote: Yes: 4 No: 0 Motion Carried.

Reports: Jimmy Hamm reported from the Town Board:

- May 10th there will be a day to bring tires, etc. to the Highway Department. Four tires will be accepted.
- May 17th there will be barbeque at the fire house.
- The Town of Otego Insurance has been updated.
- A grant has been requested from J-Cap for a possible generator
- The Oneonta airport has been clearing land for the possibility of expanding. Per Dan Wilbur there is much work to be done and several concerns to be addressed.
- The guiderail for the bridge on Secor Road has been replaced. The Town is waiting for a completed inspection and then it will be open for use.

New Business:

Motion made by Lonnie Ridgway, seconded by Kathy Leahy, to approve the Special Use Permit for the addition of heavy equipment rental to pre-existing shed and trailer sales business owned by Kevin Eric Eberling at 399 County Highway 48 with tax # 325.00-1-8.22. No discussion.

Vote: Yes: 4 No: 0 Motion Carried.

- A letter will be sent to Mr. Eberling regarding this action.
- There was some discussion regarding Mr. Eberling's question regarding signage for his business. He is requesting in addition to the sign ~~for his shed and trailer business~~ a sign facing I-88 ~~for his heavy equipment rental~~.
AT THE ENTRANCE: ANOTHER
- According to the Town of Otego Zoning ~~he is only allowed one sign.~~
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- Per Lois according to the Town of Otego Zoning Ordinance, Section 535-Signs, B-8, pg. 35 – "Signs shall not exceed one per public road frontage". Therefore, Mr. Eberling will be allowed to have two signs as they are facing two road frontages. He must apply for a permit for the additional sign.
- Ellen Dwyer is present requesting a Special use Permit – Home Occupation for 241 Upper Green Street in Otego with tax # 297.00-1-35.00. Ms. Dwyer is requesting a dog grooming facility within her home.
- The business will only function on Saturdays and no changes needed to her home.
- The parking will be in her driveway and will not be any impact to the surrounding area.
- No questions or further discussion was presented.

Motion made by Mark Dye, seconded by Kathy Leahy, to accept this application as complete. No discussion.

Vote: Yes: 4 No: 0 Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mark Dye, seconded by Lonnie Ridgway, to approve the Special Use Permit – Home Occupation for a dog grooming facility within the home as requested by Ellen Dwyer at 241 Upper Green Street with tax # 297.00-1-35.00. No discussion.

Vote: Yes: 4 No: 0 Motion Carried.

- A letter of this action will be sent to Ms. Dwyer.

Old Business: None

Privilege of the Floor: Lois reminded the Planning Board members of the Learning at Lunch training available on the internet from New York State.

Next meeting: May 20, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Motion made by Mark Dye, seconded by Lonnie Ridgway, to adjourn the meeting. No discussion

Vote: Yes: 4 No: 0 Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Colleen Bushnell, Secretary