TOWN OF COLDEN

APR 01 2015

TOWN CLERKS OFFICE

TOWN OF COLDEN

CHANGE OF USE PERMIT APPLICATION

NO. 2015-01 DATE RECEIVED 4/1/15

NAME OF APPLICANT BRUCE E. & KIM M. ZEHNDER

NAME OF OWNER (IF DIFFERENT) _____ ADDRESS OF OWNER (IF DIFFERENT) _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: APPLICANT 716-860-3804 OWNER _____

LOCATION OF PROPERTY:
ADDRESS 9452 STATE RD. GLENWOOD N.Y. 14069

ZONING DISTRICT COMMERCIAL

SPECIFIC USE RENTAL SHOP

ZONING ORDINANCE SECTION 108-44.A 25

CHANGE OF USE PROCEDURE

1. Applicant will first be directed to the Building Inspector Dept. to determine if a "Special Use Permit" or a "Change of Use" is required.

   A SITE PLAN WILL BE REQUIRED

   A. A letter of intent

   B. A rough sketch of property indicating building, parking, future plans relating to the permit. See 108-52 B-4

   C. If a "Certificate of Occupancy" is required, a $25.00 fee will apply.

   D. Building Inspector Report

   E. A 239A form will be sent to Erie County Planning

   F. A SEQR form is not required for a commercial building under 4,000 sq. ft. Anything over 25 acres will require a full EAF – not usually a Type I. A short SEQR is usually all that is required.

   G. A Public Hearing is not required for a "Change of Use".

   H. The Town Board, as final arbitrators, may request more detailed information. The matter should be tabled if more information if needed.

   I. Once completed, the Town Clerk will advise the Town Board of the "Change of Use" and will copy the Town Board, Planning and Environmental Boards with the site plan and intended use.

April 1, 2015

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Dear Sirs:

Our intentions for the property at 9452 State Rd., known as the Glenwood Depot, is to create additional space for our equipment inventory.

We are a seasonal ski and snowboard lease shop and at the present time are unable to house all of the equipment owned.

We have always had a limited space to work in, but since acquiring inventory from a recently out-of-business board shop, there is no room to add it here at these premises.

We would like to build-on to the rear of our existing shop. This will create the additional space needed to hold our inventory under one roof.

We own and operate this business ourselves and plan to for years to come.

Thank-you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

B E Zeschuk

Kim M. Zeschuk

Miscellaneous Notes

(MN1) Some features shown on this plat may be shown out of scale for clarity.

(MN2) Dimensions on this plat are expressed in feet and decimal parts thereof unless otherwise noted. Bearings are referred to an assumed meridian and are used to denote angles only. Monuments were found at points where indicated.

(MN3) Unauthorized Alteration or Addition to this Survey Map is a Violation of Section 7209 Provision 2 of the New York State Education Law.

(MN4) **This Survey was prepared without the benefit of an up-to-date abstract of title** and is subject to any state of facts that may be revealed by an examination of such.

(MN5) THIS MAP IS NOT VALID WITH AFFIDAVIT OF NO CHANGE

Utility Notes

(UN1) Certain easements and /or utility lines, may or may not be shown hereon, however **this shall not imply** that all easements or utilities affecting premisis are shown.

(UN2) No investigation has been made for subsurface utility lines, sewers, drains, conduits etc. Information shown is based upon surface indications of utilities specifically requested by client.

(UN3) Before digging in this area, call Under Ground Services for field locations (request for ground markings) of underground utility lines.

Copyright Information

(1) This Survey is Published in many different colors. Any Black and White reproduction is not a valid map from Freeman and Freeman Land Surveyors.

Legend of Symbols & Abbreviations

- Set ReRod
- Power Pole
- Light Pole
- Traffic Signal Box
- Gas Valve
- Storm Inlet
- Fire Hydrant
- Water Valve
- Sanitary Manhole
- Valve
- Sign

N.	North
S.	South
E.	East
W.	West
°	Degrees
'	Ft. or Min.
"	In. or Sec.
Rec.	Record
Meas.	Measured
L.	Liber
Pg.	Page
Ex.	Existing

Enc.	Encroachment
R/W	Right-of-way
℄	Centerline
Z	Indicates Mutual Owner
N/F	Now or Formerly

One Chain = 66.0 Ft.
One Meter = 3.2808333 Ft.
One Acre = 43,560.0 Sq.Ft.

- Property Boundary
- Line of Record
- Edge of R.O.W.
- Holland Land Co. Lot Line
- Road Centerline
- x x x x Fence Along Line

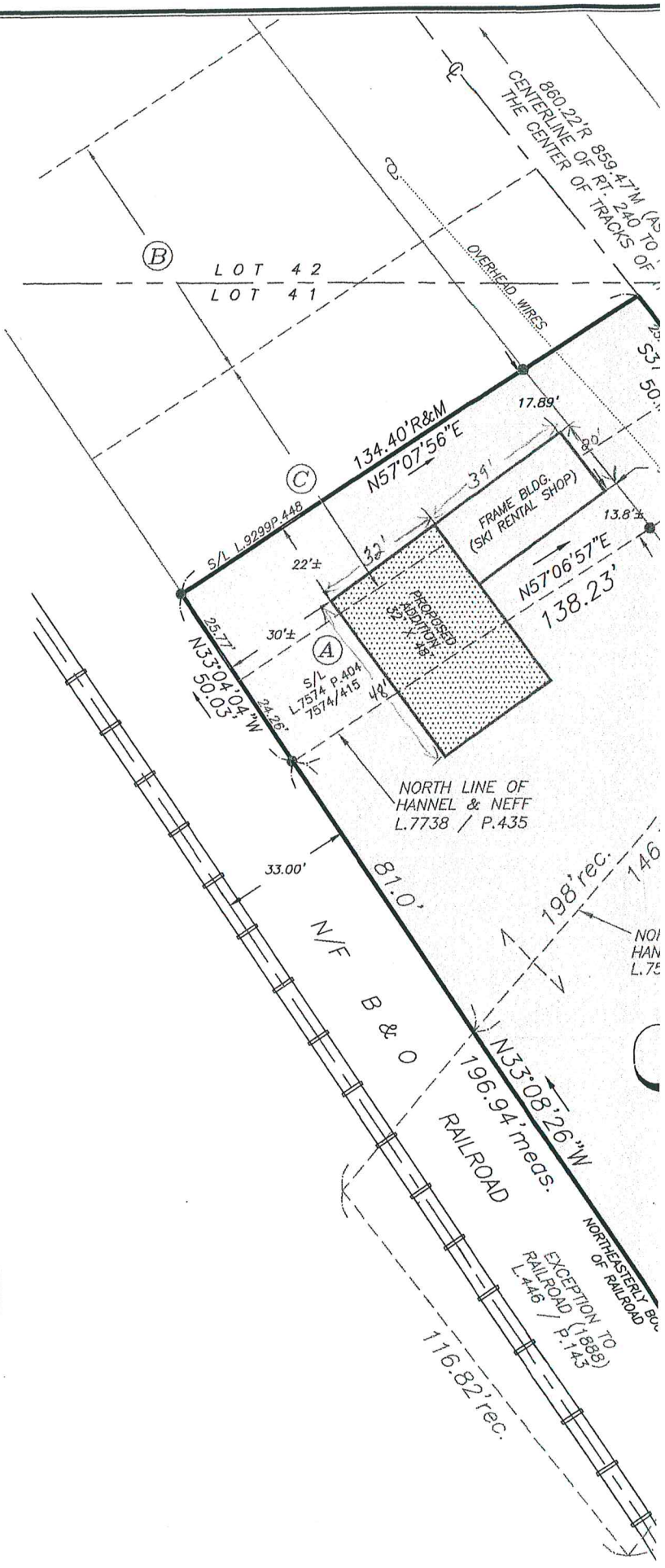
Reference Data

(RD1) Maps and notes from the Holland Land Company Survey.

(RD2) Deeds and old surveys supplied by client.

Statement of Encroachments

A No encroachments were noted or surveyed to in the original field survey.



SPECIAL USE PERMIT
BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT

ALL APPLICANTS FOR SPECIAL USE PERMITS MUST CONFORM TO ALL MUNICIPAL, STATE AND FEDERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT Bruce + Kim Zehnder
9452 State Rd

PHONE # 860-3804

DATE OF MEETING WITH THE BUILDING INSPECTOR 4/1/15

CLASSIFICATION BY OCCUPANCY OR USE Rental Shop

DOES USE OR OCCUPANCY CONFORM TO ZONING CHAPTER 108 YES ✓ NO ___

IF CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY IS REQUIRED, DOES APPLICATION COMPLY?

YES X NO ___ N/A ___

RECOMMENDATIONS AND OR COMMENTS OF BUILDING INSPECTOR.

Expansion OF Existing Rental Shop
Meets Code

BUILDING INSPECTOR John K Kuhl

DATE 4/1/15

APPLICATION FOR
CERTIFICATE OF ZONING COMPLIANCE

1. APPLICANT
Name: BRUCE + KIM ZEHNDER

Address: 9452 STATE RD. GLENWOOD

2. Proposed Use: RENTAL SHOP

3. Zoning District: COMMERCIAL

4. Nature and definite purpose of Building or Use: RENTAL

5. Description of Property and Building Placement: See Site plan

6. Statement of any Restrictions by Deed or other Instruments of Record:
NA

Acknowledgment: The undersigned as applicant does hereby agree to comply with the Zoning Code of the Town of Colden and all other laws, local laws and regulations that may be applicable. Prior to the use of the property, a site plan review and a site plan approval shall be required for all uses, buildings and structures that require a building permit or certificate of compliance under the Zoning Code and for which an application therefor has been made to the Town of Colden except for a 1-family dwelling or a 2-family dwelling and its permitted accessory uses, buildings and structures, prior to the issuance of a building permit or certificate of occupancy.

B E Zehnder Kim M Zehnder
(owner)

The undersigned as the Code Enforcement Officer of the Town of Colden does hereby state that the proposed use set forth herein complies with the provisions of the Zoning Code of the Town of Colden. This Certificate is issued with the acknowledgment of the applicant hereinafter that the proposed new use shall only be permitted upon compliance with the provisions of the Zoning Code of the Town of Colden including a required site plan review.

John Kotlas
Town of Colden Code Enforcement Officer

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TOWN CLERKS OFFICE

Short Environmental Assessment Form
Part 1 - Project Information

Instructions for Completing

Part 1 - Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 - Project and Sponsor Information

BRUCE E. & KIM M. ZEHNDER

Name of Action or Project:
PROPOSED ADDITION

Project Location (describe, and attach a location map):
9452 STATE RD. GLENWOOD N.Y. 14069

Brief Description of Proposed Action:
32'x48' ADDITION TO BACK OF EXISTING SKI SHOP - GLENWOOD DEPOT

Name of Applicant or Sponsor:	Telephone: 716-860-3804
BRUCE + KIM ZEHNDER	E-Mail: bkz52976@YAHOO.COM

Address: 9669 FOOTE RD.

City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:
GLENWOOD	N.Y.	14069

	NO	YES
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative rule, or regulation? If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.	☑	☐
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other governmental Agency? If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval:	☑	☐

3.a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? 0.73 acres
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? _____ acres
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? _____ acres

4. Check all land uses that occur on, adjoining and near the proposed action.
☐ Urban ☐ Rural (non-agriculture) ☐ Industrial ☒ Commercial ☐ Residential (suburban)
☐ Forest ☐ Agriculture ☐ Aquatic ☐ Other (specify): _____
☐ Parkland

	NO	YES	N/A
5. Is the proposed action, a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?	☐	☑	☐
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?	☐	☑	☐
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?	NO ☐	YES ☑	
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area? If Yes, identify: _____	NO ☑	YES ☐	
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?	NO ☑	YES ☐	
b. Are public transportation service(s) available at or near the site of the proposed action?	☑	☐	
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near site of the proposed action?	☑	☐	
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements? If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies:	NO ☐	YES ☑	
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply? If No, describe method for providing potable water: _____	NO ☐	YES ☑	
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities? If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment: N/A	NO ☑	YES ☐	
12. a. Does the site contain a structure that is listed on either the State or National Register of Historic Places?	NO ☑	YES ☐	
b. Is the proposed action located in an archeological sensitive area?	☑	☐	
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?	NO ☐	YES ☑	
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody? If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres: _____	☑	☐	

5/7/15

14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply:
☐ Shoreline ☐ Forest ☐ Agricultural/grasslands ☐ Early mid-successional
☐ Wetland ☑ Urban ☐ Suburban

	NO	YES
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered?	☑	☐
16. Is the project site located in the 100 year flood plain?	☑	☐
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources? If Yes, a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties? ☐ NO ☐ YES	☑	☐
b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe: ☐ NO ☐ YES		

	NO	YES
18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g. retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? If Yes, explain purpose and size: _____	☑	☐
19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility? If Yes, describe: _____	☑	☐
20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste? If Yes, describe: _____	☑	☐

I AFFIRM THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Applicant/sponsor name: BRUCE E. ZEHNDER Kim M. Zehnder Date: 4/1/2015

Signature: Br CZee KIM M. ZEHNDER

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Agency Use Only [If applicable]

Project:

Date:

Short Environmental Assessment Form
Part 2 - Impact Assessment

Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.
Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1. Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	☑	☐
2. Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	☑	☐
3. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	☑	☐
4. Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	☑	☐
5. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	☑	☐
6. Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	☑	☐
7. Will the proposed action impact existing: a. public / private water supplies?	☑	☐
b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	☑	☐
8. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	☑	☐
9. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	☑	☐
10. Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	☑	☐
11. Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	☑	☐

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EAF Mapper Summary Report

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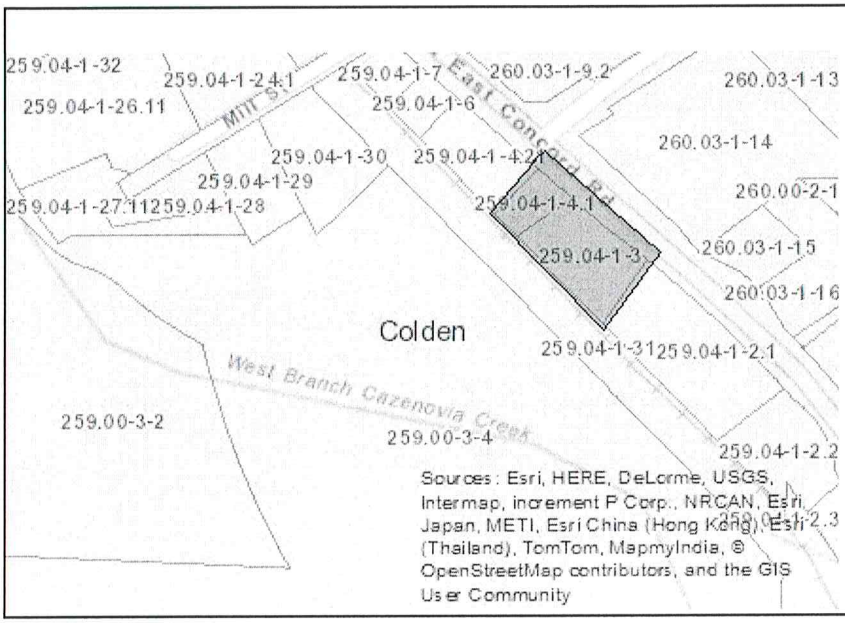

Disclaimer: The EAF Mapper is a screening tool intended to assist project sponsors and reviewing agencies in preparing an environmental assessment form (EAF). Not all questions asked in the EAF are answered by the EAF Mapper. Additional information on any EAF question can be obtained by consulting the EAF Workbooks. Although the EAF Mapper provides the most up-to-date digital data available to DEC, you may also need to contact local or other data sources in order to obtain data not provided by the Mapper. Digital data is not a substitute for agency determinations.

Part 1 / Question 7 [Critical Environmental Area]	No
Part 1 / Question 12a [National Register of Historic Places]	No
Part 1 / Question 12b [Archeological Sites]	No
Part 1 / Question 13a [Wetlands or Other Regulated Waterbodies]	Yes - Digital mapping information on local and federal wetlands and waterbodies is known to be incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
Part 1 / Question 15 [Threatened or Endangered Animal]	No
Part 1 / Question 16 [100 Year Flood Plain]	No
Part 1 / Question 20 [Remediation Site]	No

Agency Use Only [If applicable]

Project:

Date:

Short Environmental Assessment Form
Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

☐ Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an environmental impact statement is required.

☒ Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

Town of Golden	4/7/15
Name of Lead Agency	Date
Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Title of Responsible Officer
	Lynda Unterweak
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

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Recommendation

TOWN OF COLDEN
MAY 07 2015
TOWN CLERKS OFFICE

April 21, 2015

To: Colden Town Board

From: Colden Planning Board

Re: Bruce & Kim Zehnder
9452 State Road
Glenwood, NY
Change of Use Permit

Recommendation:

That this Application for a Change of Use to enable expansion of an existing business involving neighboring property be APPROVED.
Subject parcels shall be combined under a new SBL number.

Roy Bergman, Chairman

Colden Environmental Board

TOWN OF COLDEN
APR 21 2015
TOWN CLERKS OFFICE

April 21, 2015

At its April 7 , 2015 meeting the Colden Environmental Board reviewed a request for a Building Permit and SEQR submitted by:

Bruce and Kim Zehnder
9452 State Rd.
Glenwood, NY

The Zehnders wish to build an addition to their ski rental shop to create additional space for equipment inventory. After reviewing their required SEQR it was unanimously agreed that the Environmental Board support their application and recommends that the Town Board approve their request.

The Board also reviewed a request submitted by

Carol and Carl Metzler
Carl's Trucking and Repair, IUNC
8033 Lewis Rd.
Holland, NY

The Metzlers wish to increase their capacity for vehicle storage at this location. In order to complete the SUP a legal easement to the property to be used for the increased capacity at 8099 Lewis Rd. must be obtained. After reviewing their required SEQR it was unanimously agreed that the Environmental Board support their application and recommends that the Town Board approve his Special Use Permit.

Respectfully submitted by:
Deborah Jusiak
Deborah Pasco
Ellen Eigenbrod
Linda Antkowiak
Craig Bouquin

SITE PLAN OR ZONING REFERRAL TO COUNTY OF ERIE, N.Y. AND REPLY TO MUNICIPALITY

Note: Please complete in triplicate. Send original and one copy (with attachments) to Erie County Division of Planning, Room 1053, 95 Franklin Street, Buffalo, N.Y. 14202
Retain last copy for your files.

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE

Case No.: SP-2015-259

Received: 5/11/15

The proposed action described herein is referred in accordance with the provisions of the General Municipal Law, which provides that if no reply is received in 30 days after receipt of full information including a SEQR EAF if applicable, the municipal agency may take final action without considering such reply. If, however, reply is received at any time prior to municpal action, such reply must be considered.

TOWN OF COLDEN
MAY 13 2015
TOWN CLERKS OFFICE

Description of Proposed Action

1. **Name of Municipality:** Town of Colden

2. **Hearing Schedule: Date** 5/14/15 **Time** 7pm **Location** 8812 State Road Colden 14033

3. **Action is before:** [X] Legislative Body [ ] Board of Appeals [ ] Planning Board

4. **Action consists of:** [ ] New Ordinance [ ] Rezone/Map Change [ ] Ordinance Amendment
   [X] Site Plan [ ] Variance [ ] Special Use Permit [ ] Other

5. **Location of Property:** [ ] Entire Municipality [ ] Specific as follows (Location/Sketch Map Required) additional space for equipment inventory State Road

6. **Referral required as site is within 500' of:** [ ] State or County Property/Institution [ ] Municipal boundary [ ] Farm Operation located in an Agricultural District
   [ ] Expressway [ ] County Road [X] State Highway Stae Rt. 240 [ ] Proposed State or County Road, Property, Building/ Institution, or Drainageway

7. **Proposed change or use (be specific):** additional space for equipment inventory

8. **Other remarks: (ID#, SBL#, etc.)** SBL# 259.04-1-3 and SBL# 259.04-1-4.1

9. **Submitted by:** Christina M. Kerlin, Town Clerk (Name & Title) 5/1/15 (Date)

Town of Colden, 8812 State Road, Colden NY 14033
(Mailing Address-Please include zip code)

Reply to Municipality by Erie County Division of Planning

Receipt of the above-described proposed action is acknowledged on _____. The Division herewith submits its review and reply under the provisions of applicable state and local law, based on the information submitted with this referral.

1. [ ] **The proposed action is not subject to review under the law.**
2. [ ] **Form ZR-3, Comment on Proposed Action, is attached hereto.**
3. [ ] **The proposed action is subject to review; the Division makes the recommendation shown on Form ZR-4, Recommendation on Proposed Action, which is attached hereto.**
4. [X] **No recommendation; proposed action has been reviewed and determined to be of local concern.**

By the Division of Planning: _____ **Date:** 5/11/15

ZR-1, ECDEP (Rev. 12/95)

Town of Colden, NY
Thursday, April 9, 2015

Chapter 108. ZONING

Article XX. Administration, Enforcement and Violations

§ 108-108. Certificate of zoning compliance required.

A. No land or building shall be changed in use until a certificate of zoning compliance shall have been issued by the Code Enforcement Officer, stating that the proposed new use thereof complies with the provisions of this chapter.

B. All applications for a certificate of zoning compliance shall be in writing, signed by the property owner or his/her duly authorized agent, on forms furnished by the Code Enforcement Officer, and shall contain the following information:

(1) Nature and definite purpose of the building or use.

(2) Description of the property and building placement.

(3) Statement of any restrictions by deed or other instrument of record.

(4) An agreement to comply with this chapter and all other laws, local laws and regulations that may be applicable.

C. In addition, upon written request by the property owner or his/her duly authorized agent, the Code Enforcement Officer shall inspect any building, other structure or tract of land existing on the effective date of this chapter and shall issue a certificate of zoning compliance certifying:

(1) The use of the building, other structure or tract of land; and

(2) Whether such use conforms to all the provisions of this chapter.

Town of Colden, NY
Thursday, April 9, 2015

Chapter 108. ZONING

Article XXI. Site Plan Review

§ 108-112. Site plan required; exceptions.

Unless otherwise provided and as regulated by Chapter **92**, Subdivision of Land, of the Town of Colden, a site plan review and a site plan approval shall be required for all uses, buildings and structures that require a building permit or certificate of compliance under this chapter and for which an application therefor has been made to the Town of Colden, except for a one-family dwelling or a two-family dwelling and its permitted accessory uses, buildings or structures, prior to the issuance of a building permit or certificate of compliance.

Town of Colden, NY
Thursday, April 9, 2015

Chapter 108. ZONING

Article XXI. Site Plan Review

§ 108-117. Review by county.

Compliance with General Municipal Law § 239-m requires that the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning receive notice of all site plan review applications. The county has 30 days in which to respond.

TOWN OF COLDEN
8812 STATE ROAD
COLDEN, NEW YORK 14033

RESOLUTION # 2015- 04
Designate Emergency Medical Services Week May 17 thru 23, 2015

WHEREAS, each year residents and visitors to the Town of Colden may require emergency medical care for traumatic injuries, burns, poisonings, spinal cord injuries, heart attacks, and other critical medical emergencies; and

WHEREAS, emergency care personnel, including First Responders, Emergency Medical Technicians, Emergency Medical Technician-Defibrillators, Paramedics, give selflessly of themselves for the welfare of others; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Town of Colden benefit from the knowledge, skills and dedication of these emergency medical services specialists, as they work together to ensure prompt and appropriate treatment at the scene, on the way to the hospital, and in the emergency department; and

WHEREAS, Erie County has a wide range of emergency medical providers, including local first responder units, first aid and rescue squads, ambulance services, mobile intensive care programs, a helicopter EMS response program, specialty burn care, a poison information and education center, designated trauma centers and other vital services that have the potential to save lives and reduce disabilities of the critically ill or injured in our community; and

WHEREAS, advances in emergency medical care have increased the number of lives saved every year in Erie County and in the Town of Colden; and

WHEREAS, it is important for the citizens of the Town of Colden to know about our emergency medical services system, including what to do in a medical emergency and whom to call, and to benefit from reminders about ways to prevent emergencies from happening; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Colden desires to continue to improve upon its emergency medical services system in order to assure all citizens the highest standards of emergency medical care;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board for the Town of Colden do hereby proclaims May 17 through May 23, 2015 as EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK in the Town of Colden, in recognition of all those engaged in emergency medical services activities and encourage the community to observe this period with appropriate recognition.