

Minutes

Planning Board Meeting

June 5, 2014

Members of the Planning Board in attendance were Charles Moreno, Paul Eaton, Lynn Sweet and Donald Coker and Mark Whitcher, Alternate members, The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM and announced the members present. The closing date for applications to appear on the agenda for the July 2014 regular meeting is 5 p.m., Tuesday, June 17th, 2014. Board members were joined by Denise Markow-Speed, who was invited by the Chairman. The Chairman advised that the Board has a policy setting time limits for meetings and that the Board will not consider any new business after 10:30 PM. Board members looked at the calendar and agreed to hold the July meeting on Thursday, July 10th due to the conflict with the Independence Day holiday. Board members then turned to the minutes of the previous meeting. Lynn Sweet made a motion, seconded by Donal Coker, to accept the minutes as presented. There was no further discussion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative with several members who had been absent abstaining.

The Board then called on David Whitcher and Randy Orvis who had requested an opportunity to meet with the Board for pre-application review/preliminary conceptual consultation regarding the property of Brian Payne (Tax Map 7, Lot 8 and Tax Map 37, Lots 11 and 12.). Mr. Payne has approximately 114 acres in three lots with limited road frontage. He hopes to create additional lots for family members. Various options were discussed and the Board recommended that the conservation development ordinance might allow greater flexibility in design.

The Board then turned to two plans that have been submitted for final review and signatures. The first was the application of Mark and Judith Whitcher for the 9-lot subdivision of Tax Map 1, Lots 14 and 14A. The Board received a letter from the Selectmen stating that the financial guarantees/road construction requirements for this project have been met. Board members reviewed the record to confirm that all required corrections and clarifications have been added to the plans and that the plan is ready for signatures. Board members then turned to the plans for 2-lot subdivision of Tax Map 11, Lot 23 by S&L Sweet Properties LLC and reviewed the plans to confirm that all required corrections and clarifications were completed. Board members agreed that both sets of plans were ready for signatures.

Board members then turned to the question of the vacant seat on the Planning Board due to Ms. Sweet's withdrawal from her elected seat subsequent to her election to the Board of Selectmen. Ms. Sweet now fills the ex-officio seat on behalf of the Selectmen. In accordance with NH RSA 673:12, the Planning Board must appoint someone to fill the opening until the next town election. The Chairman had invited Denise Markow-Speed to attend tonight's meeting to see if she would be willing to join the Board, noting her experience as an engineer with NH DOT. Ms. Markow-Speed said that she would indeed be willing. Paul Eaton then made a motion, seconded by Lynn Sweet, to appoint Denise Markow-Speed to fill the current vacancy on the Board. There was no discussion and the Chairman called the vote. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

There being no further business before the Board, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative and the meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM.