

Selectmen's Meeting, Monday, 1/11/88

Present: John J. Jones, Chairman, Rachel C. Reinstein and Betty Shaw, Secretary.

Meeting called to order at 7:30

Harvey Goodwin met with the Selectmen to go over his proposed budget for the Planning Board.

Mr. Bob Pilley, discussed the Deering Master Plan which is being developed at this time. Deering is looking to the future and requested input from Antrim regarding a possible by-pass. Impact to both Towns is being looked into. Mr. Pilley agreed to keep in touch with Antrim Selectmen.

S. Hickey was asked by Chris Joseph, Police Chief, to report changes to property owned by Mr. Hickey.

The former Schacht property has had a unit on the third floor completed. This had been started three years ago reported Mr. Hickey. A stairway built outside the building is to be used as a fire ladder. It has been built more for safety and Mr. Hickey believes it is in keeping with the building and not an eye sore. The garage now has eight or nine storage bins for use by the tenants. Charge for them is included in the rent. Since the storage area is used for profit, the building falls under commercial use which is a change of use from when the Schacht family lived there.

Another bathroom may be added to an apartment or be used to create another unit. No work has been done on the former Moore property. Mr. Hickey reported having gutted out one side of the building, but has not added apartments at this point. He has agreed to submit a permit for work planned.

Plans to finish off plumbing and interior work on the Main St. Property for which he will submit a permit.

Mr. Hickey reported the former Vose property has three apartments and three bathrooms plus an antique shop, the property card shows one unit with the antique shop. After noting changes had been made on the assessment card, it was found, former owner appealed to the assessors resulting in an assessment for one unit. Mr. Hickey plans to renovate the existing bathrooms and asked if Selectmen would like to view the property to show what is presently there. Bank records will back up the fact that three units plus the shop was the proper assessment when Mr. Hickey purchased the property. Selectmen saw no need to view the property.

Mr. Hickey agreed to submit permits for all work planned in the future before doing the work and thus prevent problems. The change of use for the storage units will have to be approved by the BOA. Until such time as approval is granted, Mr. Hickey will not rent out the storage units. He did ask if the units were used by the tenants with no added charge would this be allowed?

Harry Page, after reading over the proposed zoning changes, requested reassurance that a permit which he received to make two apartments and two office units in the former Nichols house will be valid. Mr. Page was granted a variance from the BOA to make the changes in the building over a year ago. The present zoning regulations do not have a time limit on building permits, the proposed changes allow for substantial construction within one year of being granted a permit. Selectmen agreed Mr. Page would have one year from date the zoning changes are voted in to substantially complete the building. Selectmen believe this will be in keeping with Article 15 D6 of the new zoning regulations.

Meeting adjourned 9:45

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