

Planning Board
Minutes
October 14, 2010

The Planning Board meeting convened at 6:30 PM with the following members present: John MacMillan, Chairman, Joseph Kalagher, Joe Daigle, Bruce Whitney, and William Nolan.

Agenda read by Chairman MacMillan. Motion was made by Daigle, 2nd by Nolan to accept the agenda. Carried 5 to 0.

Minutes of the September 23, 2010 Planning Board Meeting were approved on motion by Nolan, 2nd by Daigle. Carried 5 to 0.

6:30 PM - Open Discussion

- Mr. Robert Higgins-Steele was present to discuss property on Ferin Road. He gave history of the property and is trying to figure out how to convey some of the property to his children and some to conservation.
- Mr. John Baker of 139 Center Street was present to gather information on what is needed to divide his property so he will have 3 lots. He only has 410 feet of frontage which puts it 40 feet short for 3 lots.

Old Business

- Bray Avenue - No update.
- Lake side Village - E-mail from Mary Ellen stating auditors are looking for paperwork on money deposited.
- Lakeview Estates - Bank looking for names of people to plow. Chairman MacMillan will send a list of local people.
- Cashman Hill Estates - No update.
- DPW Reuse - No update.

Correspondence

- Reviewed miscellaneous correspondence.
- ZBA hearing November 3, 2010. Ocrach Land Development LLC looking to demolish existing building and replace with a smaller structure at 117 South Main Street.
- ZBA hearing October 27, 2010. George Gorrell wants to store equipment on his property on Willard Road.
- ZBA hearing October 27, 2010. Kevin Broderick, 5 Birchwood Terrace, to construct a farmers porch.
- Reviewed Development Rate Bylaw prepared by MRPC. Board recommends to accept with title change from Ashburnham's to Town of Ashburnham.
- Two new building permits for month of September.

Chairman Comments

- Reviewed the letter stating the Board supports the MRPC's Planning Grant application under the Adams Arts Program. Motion by Daigle, 2nd by Kalagher, to send letter to Massachusetts Cultural Council in support of the Planning Grant application under the Adams Arts Program. Carried 5 to 0.
- Draft OSRD Bylaw - Reviewed and made some changes to recommendations.
- Second Public Forum on Cultural Plan will be held October 21, 2010 at Cushing Academy.

Next Planning Board meeting will be October 28, 2010.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectively submitted,
Bruce Whitney – Clerk