

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2019
Draft Minutes Subject to Modifications

Present: Chairman K. McDuffie, Vice Chairman B. Giglio, Commissioners J. Burns and P. Hinman. Town Engineer J. Galligan was also present.
Absent: Commissioners Cal Brennan, R. Starkey and L. Daigle.

I CALL TO ORDER

Chairman K. McDuffie called the Regular meeting of the Beacon Falls Planning and Zoning Commission to order at 7:40 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the legal notice was read into the minutes.

II APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve as submitted with correction on date of meeting, was made by Vice Chairman B. Giglio and 2nd by Comm. P. Hinman. All in favor.

III COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Chairman K. McDuffie asked if there were any comments from the public and Doug Bousquet came forward on behalf of Antonios Restaurant, Main St. Beacon Falls. He explained that they want to spruce up the outside area to their restaurant which already exists as a outdoor extension of the restaurant. No extension of space is being sought. The plan is to resurface the ground and install a railing. Vice Chairman B. Giglio made a motion to approve the improvements as presented, 2nd by Comm. B. Burns. All in favor.

Ken Feroni, representing O & G Industries stated that in the past they were able to access their property from the gated community, but they have chosen not to renew their lease. He is seeking approval to use a town easement at the end of Lancaster Drive. O & G has an agreement to use and improve access up to 16 times per year, strictly for maintenance use, from the property owners.

A motion to send this 8-24 referral to the Board of Selectman, with a recommendation to allow, was made by Chairman K. McDuffie and 2nd by Vice Chairman B. Giglio. All in favor.

S. O'Day 64 Fairfield Place stood up and asked for an answer to his question regarding the signing of the mylar for the Tiverton project. Vice Chairman B. Giglio asked if his intent was to try to stop the project. Mr. O'Day replied that he just wants to know what is happening with the sequence of the project. He noted that he was not to happy with the way the blasting procedure is, and it was explained to him that that is not controlled by this commission. He also noted that C. Edwards has been very cooperative and understanding and has taken

time to answer any questions that have been asked of him by the neighbors. C. Edwards did a pre blast survey of a couple of the existing houses in order to try to reassure the residents that he is doing everything in the correct way. Fred Bowes, 44 Fairfield Place commented on the blasting and said that previously he was told that their homes would be tested/protected. He also noted that C. Edwards has been cooperative.

C. Jurzynski, 42A Fairfield Place stated that as of last week the mylar was not signed by the Wetlands Commission and D. Bousquet replied that it is signed. A motion to vary the agenda was made by Vice Chairman B. Giglio and 2nd by Comm. P. Hinman. All in favor.

Chairman K. McDuffie asked 3 times if there were any comments from the public and no one came forward.

** A motion to vary the agenda was made by Vice Chairman B. Giglio and 2nd by Comm. P. Hinman. All in favor.

V TOWN ENGINEER REPORT

The Town Engineer was present and submitted a written report which included an update on the Tiverton Project. He noted that he has started with the drainage, rock crushing, drainage swales and has erosion controls in place. The next phase will bring drainage and retention ponds, basins. Jim Galligan noted that the project is progressing normally. A motion to accept the verbal report as presented

was made by Vice Chairman B. Giglio and 2nd by Comm. P. Hinman. All in favor.

IV ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS REPORT

The ZEO was present and submitted a written report which showed 4 zoning compliance permits issued. He also stated verbally that Station Glo is cleaning up their property. A motion to accept the report was made by Vice Chairman B. Giglio and 2nd by Comm. P. Hinman. All in favor.

VI COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF CONSER. AND DEVELOPMENT

No activity.

VII OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Chatfield Farms – No Activity
- 2) Pond Spring – No Activity
- 3) C. Edwards - Pent Road – No Activity
Tiverton – No Activity

VIII NEW BUSINESS

None

IX NEW APPLICATIONS

None

X CORRESPONDENCE AND PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion to approve payment of bills was made by Vice Chairman B. Giglio and 2nd by P. Hinman. All in favor.

XI PETITIONS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Comm. P. Hinman asked for an update on the Rimmon Hill access to Mathies Park. She noted that no changes have been done. The adjacent land owner still has materials on town property. Chairman K. McDuffie said that he will look into it again.

XII ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn at 8:51 P.M. was made by Chairman K. McDuffie and 2nd by Comm. P. Hinman. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ellen Fernandes
Clerk, April 24, 2019