

Planning Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 7:00 pm  
Becket Town Hall- 557 Main Street

**Planning Board Members present:** Robert Ronzio; Chairman, Howard Lerner, Martin Schlanger.

**Planning Board members absent:** Gale LaBelle, Ann Krawet, Beth VanNess

**Public present:** None

**Meeting Opens at:** 7:30 pm

Chairperson, Mr. Robert Ronzio, opens the meeting and announces that meeting agendas are on the table for anyone who would like one. He advises that the meeting is being held in accordance with Massachusetts General Law 40A and the By-laws of the Town of Becket. A decision to issue a special permit requires a minimum of four positive votes from a five member board. The Board has 90 days after the close of the public hearing to make a decision and 14 days to file the paperwork with the Town Clerk, once the decision has been made. Any Appeals of decisions can be made only to the court and must be pursuant to Section 17, MGL 40A as amended, and must be filed within 20 days after the date of filing of the decision with the Town Clerk. Mr. Ronzio asks if anyone will be making a recording of the meeting, the secretary confirms that she will be recording for the Planning Board. Mr. Schlanger makes a motion to dispense with the rest of the procedural reading, Mr. Lerner seconds the motion, Unanimous Approval. Chairperson, Mr. Ronzio moves the meeting forward.

**Approval of November 18th Meeting Minutes-** Mr. Schlanger makes a motion to approve the November 18th meeting minutes as presented, Mr. Ronzio seconds the motion, Meeting minutes are unanimously approved.

**Public Input-** None

**Old Business- Planning Board members to discuss Medical Marijuana Bylaw.** Mr. Ronzio reads aloud an email received from Mr. Brian Domina (BRPC) referencing the draft copy of the Medical Marijuana bylaw. Board members read

and review, discussing Brian's comments. Mr. Lerner expresses concern, stating that by the time the Planning Board passes a Medical Marijuana bylaw, then Recreational Marijuana will be legal. Board members discuss drafting a "General" Marijuana bylaw, leaving out all medical aspects. Board members ask Mr. Ronzio some of their medical marijuana questions that they may have, Mr. Ronzio advises the members of the rules of the approved dispensaries. Mr. Lerner makes a motion to eliminate the word "medical" and to instead refer to the proposed bylaw as a "general" marijuana bylaw. Hearing no second to the motion, the motion dies on the floor and does not carry.

**New Business- Planning Board to sign appointment slip for CPC**

**Representative.** Planning Board members read, review and then sign appointment slip to appoint Bob Ronzio to the CPC.

**Any other business to come before the Board-None**

**Correspondence-** Read and Reviewed. Board members receive a copy of ZBA application submitted for 133 Mystic Isle Way, applicants request a variance. Mr. Ronzio requests that the secretary makes copies for all present.

**Budget-**Read and Reviewed

**Adjournment-** Mr. Schlanger makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Schlanger seconds the motion; Unanimous Approval. The meeting is adjourned at 8:18 PM.

**Schedule next meeting for January 13th, 2015.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Hunt, Planning Board Administrative Assistant

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Robert Ronzio

Date

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Martin Schlanger	Date
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Howard Lerner	Date
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