

Planning Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 11, 2016 7:00 pm
Becket Town Hall- 557 Main Street

Planning Board Members present: Robert Ronzio; Chairman, Ann Krawet, Howard Lerner.

Planning Board members absent: Gale LaBelle

Public present: Heather Anello, Paul Merrill.

Meeting Opens at: 7:13 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. Lerner makes a motion to dispense with the rest of the procedural reading, Ms. Krawet seconds the motion, Unanimous Approval. Chairperson, Mr. Ronzio moves the meeting forward.

Approval of April 13, Meeting Minutes- Ms. Krawet makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented, Mr. Lerner seconds the motion; Unanimous Approval.

Informal Discussion- Heather Anello, Becket General Store- Ms. Heather Anello introduces herself to the Board and passes out documents she has prepared for the Board members to view. She explains that she closed the Becket General Store on Washington Street and has a new proposed location for her General Store that she plans to move to 3235 Main Street. Ms. Anello explains that the new store

will be called the Spencer House and it will be a mixed use commercial Real Estate building. Ms. Anello further advises that the property just passed a Title V and that it is just short of 100 feet from the road and may be grandfathered in as a PWS. The upstairs of the building will house 2 apartments, each with their separate doors and they each will have a parking spot provided for them as well. Ms. Anello advises that she will have outdoor seating on the patio, and would like to have a wood/barn board sign with two solar lights outside. Mr. Ronzio states that Ms. Anello should contact the District 1 Office to inquire about curb cuts. Ms. Anello thanks the Board members for their time and advises that she will have plans, etc. ready for the June meeting.

New Business- Ms. Ann Krawet presents Planning Board members with a draft of a driveway Bylaw that she has drafted. Board members briefly discuss the bylaw as they agree to discuss it in greater length at the June meeting. Ms. Krawet reminds the Boar that this is a very important bylaw and they need to make sure that they find time for it.

Any other business to come before the Board-None

Correspondence- Read and Reviewed.

Budget-Read and Reviewed

Adjournment- Mr. Lerner makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ms. LaBelle seconds the motion, Meeting is adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Schedule next meeting for May 11th, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Hunt, Planning Board Administrative Assistant

Robert Ronzio

Date

Howard Lerner

Date

Gale LaBelle

Date

Ann Krawet

Date