

BELLINGHAM PLANNING BOARD  
TOWN HALL - PLANNING BOARD ROOM  
BELLINGHAM, MASS.

Meeting of March 2, 1967. "TOWN PLANNING"

Members present: Francis J. Prior Roland G. Beauregard  
J. Eugene Corriveau David E. Andrews  
Robert M. Chase

The chairman called the meeting to order at 8:10 P.M.  
It was voted unanimously to dispense the regular order of business.

Walter Millette, owner of the subdivision "Saddleback Hill Acres", was present at the meeting and requested that the board reconsider its vote of two sidewalks in the subdivision. He requested the elimination of one sidewalk on the westerly side of Saddleback Hill Road, in this way, he will gain 10 ft. in lessening the slope. The sidewalk, he said, would be detrimental to the town because of the hill, its maintenance and soil erosion from excessive water.

Prior said he felt that the two sidewalks were necessary because Saddleback Hill Rd. is a Collector Street. Andrews seconded that feeling and said the board is abiding by the By-Laws in requesting sidewalks on both sides.

Corriveau stated that he did not see the practical value of the sidewalk on the westerly side and Beauregard agreed. He also said he felt that the sidewalk would create a problem with water and soil running off.

There being no further discussion, the chair entertained a motion either way, or to take under advisement. No motion.

Millette requested one more consideration, the fact that the water would break up the sidewalk during rain and snow and will create a problem. Chase suggested that technical help be requested for an unbiased opinion on both sides of the issue. Andrews agreed, none opposed.

Millette also requested building permits for all lots since utilities and drainage are all in and Mr. Sacco is prepared to post a bond covering the roadway. Highway Supt. will advise as to the amount of bond to cover 2600 feet of sidewalk and the roadway.

Benjamin Ferigno was present and inquired about the approval of the two bonds which were posted for the completion of roadway on "LITTLE TREE LANE", Hillsdale Estates. The board is awaiting ruling from Town Counsel who is checking on the wording of the bonds, Prior said. There is no problem in the amount since Highway Supt. states that the \$12,300.00 is sufficient.

Chase made a motion to continue with construction while awaiting word from Town Counsel and Zoning Permits can be issued. Seconded by Andrews, Vote unanimous.

George Morin was present at the meeting and informed the board that he is selling his approved subdivision "ALMO-HEIGHTS

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-SECT.2" to Wilfrid Langevin of Blackstone, Subject To the Covenants. Lots being transferred are 9 thru 17 and lots 34 thru 40, with an option to purchase lots 18 thru 33 on Newland Avenue.

On a motion of Chase and (2) by Andrews, Vote unanimous, the board signed the sale and transfer for filing with the Registry of Deeds.

On a motion of Chase and (2) by Beauregard, minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read by the clerk. Vote unanimous.

In-Coming correspondence was discussed and two bills for Pub.Hearings on Zoning Changes were approved for payment.

The resigned plans of the Marion C. Bennett property on No. Main Street were received from Atty. L.J. Doyle.

Zoning Changes as proposed to the Zoning By-Laws at the last Public Hearing were discussed. The board feels that the 10 feet minimum side-yard requirement under Art.#2, is sufficient since a variance would be required for closer construction. They feel the 10 ft. is reasonable since 125 ft. frontage is required.

Board members agreed that to request a plot plan of the builder would cause a hardship on people who build their own homes.

The board will request a meeting with Mr. Hainsworth of the National Recreation and Park Asso. in connection with the setting up of a Recreational Program for the Town.

Chairman Francis Prior commended Eugene Corriveau for his cooperation and assistance as a member of the board, this being Corriveau's last meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

APPROVED AS READ:

*Francis Prior*

*Robert M. Chase*

*David E. Curran*

Respectfully submitted,

*Joan M. Giard*  
Joan M. Giard, Clerk