



BELLINGHAM PLANNING BOARD

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October 13, 2011 Meeting Minutes

• Present at the Meeting

Patricia M. Buckley (PMB), Chairman (absent)
Glenn C. Wojcik (GCW), Vice Chairman
Dave Brown (DB)
Peter M. Morelli (PMM)
Peter Pappas (PP) (Secretary)
Roger Oakley (RO), Associate Member

Other Officials: Stacey J. Wetstein (SJW), Town Planner

GCW opened the meeting at 7:00pm.

PP: Motion to sign the September 22, 2011 meeting minutes.

DB: Second.

Vote: 4-0 Approved. (GCW, DB, PP and PMM)

DB: Motion to sign the vouchers.

PMM: Second.

Vote: 4-0 Approved. (GCW, DB, PP and PMM)

Parking Bylaws, Continued Discussion

SJW stated that she had updated the definitions and other sections as per the last discussion. She also mentioned that the MAPC was not going to be ready with their model bylaw until December, so she suggested continuing on without their suggestions in the meantime. She would like to have a draft bylaw for the Spring Town Meeting by the end of January.

PMM suggested adding a definition for snow storage that has wording to indicate that snow storage areas cannot be used for parking or reserve parking. The Board agreed. RO suggested changing "soccer complex" to "sports complex."

Discussion continued to Section 3340. The Board suggested including change of uses that require more parking be included as a condition in decisions. SJW indicated that that has already been included in many recent decisions. There was also a lot of discussion on how to, if at all, define change in use and the parameters of what an increase in parking should be considered. The Board also expanded on the reserve requirement being shown on a plan.

Subdivision Rules and Regulations revisions, Continued Public Hearing

The Board began discussion on Article III of the Subdivision Regulations as follows:

- To require abutter notices via regular mail for preliminary projects;
- To research the current going rate in other towns for subdivision regulation permit fees to see if Bellingham needs to increase its fees.
- To clarify 3251(A) by changing "shall be occupied" to "no structure shall be issued an occupancy permit"

The Board agreed to continue this discussion on October 27th, where the Board will discuss Section 4.

DB: Motion to adjourn.

PP: Second.

Vote: 4-0 Approved (GCW, DB, PP and PMM).

Minutes Accepted on: 10-8-11
(Date)

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Stacey Weinstein
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