October 3, 2013 Blackstone Planning Board 15 St. Paul St. Blackstone, MA 01504 Main Meeting Room

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Paul Marvelle, Vice Chairman Kirk VanDyke, Members, Joe Belrose, Gerry Rivet, and Owen Bebeau.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Alternate Member:

The Board is in receipt of a two letters of interest for the position as an associate member.

The Chairman read the letters and had each applicant provide a brief explanation of why they were seeking the alternate seat.

The two residents were Darren LaBonne and Marc Gregoire.

On a motion made by Gerry Rivet and seconded by Joe Belrose, the Board voted to appoint Darren LaBonne as the alternate member to the Planning Board.

The secretary will write a letter to the Town Clerk so that the alternate member can be sworn in.

40 Orchard Street.

The Board is in receipt of a special permit application for Mr. Gladu. The Board informed Mr. Gladu that he needed to submit a plan with the application. He communicated to the Board that he does not know why he even need to come in front of the Board. It was further explained that the Zoning Enforcement Officer has informed Mr. Gladu that he needs to seek a special permit for an accessary apartment.

On a motion made by Owen Bebeau and seconded by Joe Belrose, the Board voted unanimously to hold the public hearing for Mr. Gladu for 40 Orchard St. for November 5, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Member Belrose excused himself from the discussion.

Site Plan for Imran Bhatti 228 Main Street.

The Chairman indicated that he conducted a site visit with the Zoning

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Enforcement Officer, Police and Fire Chief. It was communicated that there are safety issues at the site.

The Planning Board Chairman would like to have the public safety concerns in writing. The secretary will follow-up with seeking the letters.

Green Communities Update:

Consultant Carlucci is working with the various Board to compile information for a Green Communities Grant in the amount of \$150,000. The application deadline is October 30, 2013.

Rolling Brook Update:

The Town Administrator indicated that a meeting will be set up with Town Counsel, Consultant Carlucci, and the Chairman of the Planning Board to discuss the issues at Rolling Brook.

Harris Pond:

Attorney Wozniak was present to speak about erosion concerns regarding 65Glenside. He displayed rocks which were part of the loam which was spread as part of her yard. He also showed some photographs which showed the erosion concerns. The Attorney also indicated that there is an exposed pipe. The Attorney stated that there is silt run-off and the deck and footings have been compromised.

Attorney McTiernan explained that the pipe was put in to help the resident with drainage on site. He indicated that it could be removed but would make the situation worse. Attorney McTiernan shared photographs or the yard at 65 Glenside.

Member VanDyke wanted to know if the soil was tested.

Attorney McTiernan did indicate that the soil did get sent to UMASS.

55 Glenside:

The resident at 55 Glenside did note that the silt problem was addressed but the quality of loam is unacceptable. He also indicated that there is hauling off of site.

In regards to the erosion issues at the Onyx, the Chairman wants to invite the developer into the next meeting and discuss how this has or will be handled.

To date, the Planning Board has not been any letter of anything running into Harris Pond.

Attorney McTiernan explained that the loam is what is required and the grass

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does grow, but it is up to the property owner to maintain it. The maintenance of the lawn varies from property owner to property owner.

The Board would like the consultant to draft a scope of services to review the erosion issues at the subdivision.

Minutes:

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On a motion made by Joe Belrose and seconded by Gerry Rivet, the Planning Board voted <u>unanimously</u> to sign the minutes from September 5, 2013 with the noted revisions.

Payment of Bills:

On a motion made by Joe Belrose and seconded by Owen Bebeau, the Planning Board voted <u>unanimously</u> to sign the bills as presented.

ADJOURN:

On a motion made by Gerry Rivet, and seconded by Joe Belrose, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting 9:30 pm.

FUTURE MEETINGS:

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 7, 2013 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland Meeting Recording Secretary