# MINUTES CHARLESTOWN PLANNING BOARD FEBRUARY 19, 2013

Members Present: Robert Frizzell (Chair); Sharon Francis (Vice-Chair); Brenda Ferland (Ex-

Officio Alternate sitting for Steve Neill); Andy Jellie, Pat Royce, Roger

Thibodeau

Alternates Present: Eric Lutz

Staff Present: David Edkins – Planning & Zoning Administrator

**CALL TO ORDER**: Chairman Frizzell called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. He noted that regular member, Rose Smith-Hull, and alternate member, Jim Jenkins, were absent. He called upon Eric Lutz to sit on the Board for Rose Smith-Hull. Noting that meetings are tape recorded, he asked that anyone wishing to speak identify themselves for the record.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 15, 2013, MEETING:

Mrs. Francis moved to approve the Minutes of the January 15, 2013, meeting with the following correction: Page 1, Congdon, line 8, change "four lights or vehicles" to "four lights <u>for</u> vehicles". Mrs. Royce seconded the motion. With four members in favor, the Minutes were approved as corrected. Mrs. Ferland, Mr. Thibodeau and Mr. Lutz abstained as they were not present at this meeting.

ST. PIERRE, INC. – Request to Begin Blasting Prior to Approved Timeframe – CEDA Gristmill Quarry – Fling Road – Map 116, Lot 38 – Zone E (Mixed Use): Mr. Charlie St. Pierre requested permission to blast prior to their approved timeframe. Each year they try to blast to have enough product for the entire winter season but are short again this year due to the storm "Sandy" and the electric company's Michael Avenue substation project. He displayed the location on the map and explained their plans on the progress being made in Phase I that is finished except for the reclamation. They requested permission for two 3K ton blasts on two consecutive days to be done in approximately two weeks. Mr. Edkins did not have any complaint calls on the early blasting last year. If they have a nice clear day with a high-or-no ceiling that is ideal. Mr. St. Pierre noted that they schedule blasts a week in advance so weather conditions are not always certain.

Mrs. Francis moved to grant approval for St. Pierre, Inc. to conduct two pre-season blasts prior to the foliage coming out in accordance with the permit. Mr. Thibodeau seconded the motion. With seven members in favor, the motion was approved.

#### **PLANNING & POLICY ISSUES:**

**Signs**: Mr. Edkins tried to contact Mike McCrory today but he was out of the office therefore there was nothing new to report at this meeting.

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**Violations:** There was discussion relative to apparent violations on two North Charlestown properties. It was pointed out that a sign in North Charlestown is also in violation of the ordinance. Mr. Edkins will do a follow-up on these.

## **ADMINISTRATION & CORRESPONDENCE:**

There were no Administration issues or Correspondence to come before the Planning Board at this meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no other business, Mr. Thibodeau moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Royce seconded the motion. With seven members in favor, the motion was approved. The time was 7:45 PM.

Minutes Filed: 2-26-13

Respectfully submitted, Regina Borden, Recording Secretary (Transcription from Tape)

(**Note:** These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections, if necessary, will be found in the Minutes of the March 19, 2013, Planning Board meeting.)