



# Town of Duxbury Massachusetts Planning Board

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## Minutes 03/12/11

The Planning Board met at the Alden Cafeteria, Duxbury Performing Arts Center, 73 Alden Street in conjunction with Annual Town Meeting on Saturday, March 12, 2011 at 8:30 AM.

Present: Amy MacNab, Chairman; George Wadsworth, Vice-Chairman; Cynthia Ladd Fiorini, Clerk; Josh Cutler, Brian Glennon and Brendan Halligan.

Absent: John Bear; and Diane Grant, Administrative Assistant.

Staff: Thomas Broadrick, Planning Director.

Ms. MacNab called the meeting to order at 8:33 AM.

## PLANNING BOARD RECOMMENDATION ON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 2011 ARTICLES

### Article 34 Regarding Definition of Accessory Structure (Planning Board):

**MOTION:** Mr. Cutler made a motion, and Mr. Halligan provided a second, to recommend INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT of Annual Town Meeting Article 34, an article to see if the town will vote to amend the Duxbury Protective Bylaw under Section 302 "Definitions" in order to change the definition of "Accessory Structure" (submitted by the Planning Board).

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. MacNab read from a prepared statement substantiating her reasoning to support a recommendation for Article 34, noting that it clarifies what is already allowed without any unintended consequences.

**AMENDMENT TO MOTION:** Mr. Glennon proposed to amend the motion in order to recommend INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT of both Article #33 (Accessory Structure Citizen Petition) and Article #34. Mr. Cutler declined to accept the amendment, and therefore the amendment failed.

**VOTE:** The motion failed by a vote of 1-5, with Mr. Cutler the only member voting in favor.

### Article 33 (Citizen Petition) and Article 34 (Planning Board) Regarding Definition of Accessory Structure:

**MOTION:** Mr. Glennon made a motion, and Ms. Ladd Fiorini provided a second, to recommend INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT of both Article 33, an article to see if the town will vote to amend the Duxbury Protective Bylaw under Section 302 "Definitions" in order to change the definition of "Accessory Structure" (submitted by Citizen Petition) AND Article 34, an article to see if the town will vote to amend the Duxbury Protective Bylaw under Section 302 "Definitions" in order to change the definition of "Accessory Structure" (submitted by the Planning Board) in tandem.

**VOTE:** The motion passed, 5-1, with Mr. Cutler voting against.

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Article 38 (Lot Coverage), Article 39 (Definition of Open Space) and Article 40 (Parking):

**MOTION:** Ms. Ladd Fiorini made a motion, and Mr. Glennon provided a second, to recommend INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT of the following articles in tandem:

- Article 38, an article to see if the town will vote to amend the Duxbury Protective Bylaw under Article 400 (Use, Intensity, Dimensional and Coverage Regulations for All Districts), Section 425 "Intensity and Dimensional Regulations for All Neighborhood Business Districts" in order to change intensity requirements for site coverage and to add requirements for open space and building coverage (submitted by the Planning Board)
- Article 39, an article to see if the town will vote to amend the Duxbury Protective Bylaw under Section 302 "Definitions" in order to add the definition of "Open Space" (submitted by the Planning Board)
- Article 40, an article to see if the town will vote to amend the Duxbury Protective Bylaw Under Article 600 (Special Regulations) to delete Section 603 "Parking Regulations" in its entirety and to replace it with a new Section 603 "Parking Regulations" in order to update parking regulations (submitted by the Planning Board).

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Ladd Fiorini stated that although she is in favor of the current lot coverage proposal of 70%, she is not in favor of that amount of allowed lot coverage on large lots and believes a sliding scale should be considered.

**VOTE:** The motion carried, 5-1, with Mr. Cutler voting against.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Planning Board meeting adjourned at 8:55 AM.

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