

PLANNING BOARD MEETING OF June 9, 2015 – East Room

A. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Rene Fleurent, Jr., opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Quorum/Attendance:

Members Present: Rene Fleurent, Jr., Peter Nopper, Ann Richard, John Farrell, Jr. and Gary Staffon

Absent: Wayne Hayward, Jeffrey Lucas and Kaisa Cripps

Also in attendance: William Roth, Planning Director.

Acceptance of Minutes:

None.

Planning Board Bills:

None.

B. CURRENT PLANNING:

Receipt of Plans:

None.

Approval of Plans:

None.

C. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MEETINGS

William Roth noted that there is a quorum for the Planning Board to meet and do general business; however, he recommend that the two special Permits be continued without discussion because a minimum of six member are need to approve a Special Permit.

1. *Special Permit* – Brahmin Leather Works #4 – 77 Alden Road (Cont'd from 4/28/15)

William Roth noted Brahmin was just finishing up with Conservation Commission and they are short members tonight, it is Mr. Roth's recommendation to continue to June 23, 2015, meeting.

Gary Staffon made a motion to continue Brahmin Leather Works #4 to June 23, 2015, and was seconded by John Farrell, Jr. The motion passed unanimously.

2. *Special Permit* – Carapace, LLC. #2 – 250 Bridge Street

William Roth read the advertisement into the record.

Rene Fleurent, Jr. said due to not enough members, he recommends continuation to June 23, 2015. Mr. Roth noted he spoke to the Applicant and they are in agreement.

Gary Staffon made a motion to continue Carapace LLC #2 to June 23, 2015, and was seconded by John Farrell, Jr. The motion passed unanimously.

D. LONG RANGE PLANNING:

1. Master Plan Discussion.

William Roth said the information gathering has been done and recommended next meeting when there is a full Board, they should discuss how they want to move forward, promote and present a future Town Meeting article. If the Board would like to get a consultant(s), to make a presentation on what's involved; also reaching out to other different Boards and Committees. How to move forward and promote and present an article at the next Annual Town meeting.

Gary Staffon asked who they would get for a consultant and Mr. Roth said there are 3 or 4 planning/consulting firms that he felt are knowledgeable. Mr. Roth has several connections to look at.

John Farrell, Jr., asked how the process would go, get RFP's and present at Town Meeting. Mr. Roth said he could ask to look at some of the RFP's that were done. John Farrell, Jr. asked if they could get an actual bid before Town Meeting. Mr. Roth said you would look at doing that if the funding was recommended for approval from Finance Committee and Selectmen. Mr. Roth explained the process and what is involved. Mr. Roth said they need to show the need for this and it is on the Selectmen's radar, which is a good thing. Mr. Roth recommends they move forward (Discussion ensued.)

Rene Fleurent, Jr. was wondering if Mr. Roth had been able to put the information on a disk and Mr. Roth said he could do that and he could also set up Fairhaven Planning Board Dropbox and put everything on there. Mr. Roth will look into that and then will share link and go from there.

Rene Fleurent, Jr. thought it would be a good tool bringing in a consultant.

Gary Staffon asked for a copy on a thumb drive. (Discussion ensued.)

2. Auto Dealer Use – Potential Zoning Amendment

William Roth said he did not have anything on that. Mr. Hayward has some ideas and is concentrating on that.

E. CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

F. OTHER BUSINESS:

1. EJ's

Mr. Roth said they have one coat of asphalt on the Driveway at the residence at 140 Bridge Street. The Board of Public Works is going to be doing Bridge Street so they do not want them to put second coat on yet. Mr. Roth noted he did see the attorney and mentioned the picnic tables in between the buildings they should not be there. The only other issue remaining is the missing 3 trees in front. They have done some landscaping in the buffer area on the fence line on the Bridge Street side. They put shrubs and trees in there and would the Board accept that. The Board just needs to make a decision on that maybe go by there.

Mr. Fleurent, Jr. asked if Mr. Roth had easy access to that plan. Mr. Roth said he has the original plan but a new landscape plan with the changes was not prepared and he felt that was not needed because he had red lined the changes on the plans in the file.

John Farrell, Jr., said he thought the curb appeal was fine.

William Roth said one of the members who has been outspoken regarding this, is not here and recommended they wait.

Gary Staffon made a motion to accept the landscaping modifications and was seconded by Ann Richard. The motion passed unanimously.

Rene Fleurent, Jr. said the only issue left is the picnic tables and Mr. Roth said he told the attorney they had to be removed. John Farrell asked where the tables were on the property and Mr. Fleurent, Jr. asked if they were between the two buildings and Mr. Roth confirmed.

Gary Staffon has not been by to look and asked if they were stacked or placed out and Mr. Roth said they were placed out.

Rene Fleurent, Jr. said it sounded like the original issues were resolved and now there is a new issue with picnic tables. (Discussion ensued.)

2. Fairhaven Stormwater Regulations

Mr. Roth said the Chairman wanted to discuss this, but is not here.

Gary Staffon would like to send out his condolences of the family of Ken Ferreira and said he was a wonderful person and dad.

John Farrell, Jr. wanted to recognize Ken Ferreira, a faithful servant, very smart, intelligent, kind man and wanted to thank him for his services.

Rene Fleurent, Jr. said he will be missed.

The Chairman, Mr. Hayward, is going through a very difficult situation and would like to extend some prayers to Mr. Hayward and his family.

Gary Staffon made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by John Farrell, Jr. The meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracy White,
Recording Secretary