

**Halifax Planning Board
Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2010**

A meeting of the Halifax Planning Board was held on Thursday, October 21, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. at the Halifax Town Hall, Meeting Room #1, 499 Plymouth Street, Halifax, Massachusetts.

Members Present: Gordon Andrews, Chairman
Rob Piccirilli, Member
V. Richard Greeley, Member

Absent: Edward Whitney, Vice Chairman
Dean Jafferian, Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. and the agenda was read into the record by Gordon Andrews.

MOTION: Rob Piccirilli to accept the agenda as read
SECOND: Rick Greeley
AIF

Discussion:

Ken Corti was present on behalf of The Lions Club and spoke to the Board about an LED sign that the Lions Club wishes to donate to the Town. The sign would be used for public safety information and would be placed in front of the Fire Department. The sign is ready for installation and will be owned by the Town of Halifax. The sign will be maintained by the Lions Club for one year. Information posted on the sign will be controlled by town departments. Placement of the sign in front of the Fire Department is within the Historic District and the Historic Commission bans the use of a lighted sign within the Historic District. The Board discussed the possibility of sending a letter to the Historic Commission asking them to make the use of safety signs exempt from the bylaw. Mr. Corti will need a Special Permit for placement of the sign. The Planning Board discussed making changes to the current sign bylaw.

Discussion:

Kozhaya Nessralla owner of Nessralla Farms located on Plymouth Street was present to discuss the placement of a 3 foot by 8 foot sign on his property. It is a black and white sign with removable letters and will be used for advertising and displaying daily specials. The sign is in the lot next to the building. It is not an obstruction to cars pulling in and out of the business. The Board advised Mr. Nessralla that he will have to apply for a Special Permit for the use of a movable/portable sign.

Discussion:

Business owner Mark Liddell of Liddell Bros. was present at the request of the Planning Board to discuss the construction of an addition to the front of his existing commercial building located at 600 Industrial Drive. The expansion will be made to the office area. The addition will be 17 ½ feet by 92 ½ feet across. Mr. Liddell stated that he is not expanding the business or increasing staff, he would just like to increase the size of the existing office space. Repairs need to be made to the roof and Mr. Liddell feels that this would be a good time for the construction of the addition. The existing office space is 1,800 square feet and he is proposing an additional 1,800 square feet. There are 37 existing parking spaces. The Planning Board reviews the existing site plan and a motion is made for a Site Plan Waiver for the 17.5 x 92.4 foot addition to the existing building.

MOTION: Rick Greeley
SECOND: Rob Piccirilli
AIF

Minutes:

Meeting Minutes from September 2, 2010 were reviewed and approved by the Board. A motion was made to accept the Minutes.

MOTION: Rick Greeley
SECOND: Rob Piccirilli
AIF

FYI:

116 Palmer Mill Road – The Seggelin’s are meeting informally with The Zoning Board of Appeals on November 8, 2010.

Housing Production Plan – Discussion is postponed until November 4, 2010.

8:50 p.m. Adjourn

Motion: Rick Greeley
Second: Rob Piccirilli
AIF

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Hill
Planning Board Secretary