

**BUSINESS MEETING
FINAL**

CALL TO ORDER: C. Brown called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

ROLL CALL: C. Brown, Chairman; L. Smith, Vice Chairman; A. Franciosa, A. Tonry, B. Mutrie, Members; M. Kasprzak, Selectmen's Representative; R. Spoerry, Alternate Member; D. Smith, Circuit Rider Planner; L. Ruest, Administrative Assistant
Not Present: R. Janvrin, Member; R. Rudowsky, Alternate Member; K. Kelley, Building Inspector

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the April 27 meeting as written.

MOTION: L. SMITH
SECOND: B. MUTRIE
5 IN FAVOR, 2 ABSTENTIONS, PASSES

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Committee Reports: April 8, 2010 minutes of the Ordinance and Regulations Review Committee were provided to the Board.
2. Appointment to Rockingham Planning Commission (RPC):

Letter of Resignation – T. C. Tocci: C. Brown read a letter dated April 23 explaining T. Tocci's decision to resign from his position of Commissioner as well as his position on the Tactical Advisory Committee.

MOTION: To accept the resignation of T. C. Tocci with deepest gratitude for years of dedicated service on behalf of the Town of Hampton Falls.

MOTION: L. SMITH
SECOND: C. BROWN
UNANIMOUS

C. Brown also read a letter of interest in serving as Commissioner to the RPC from David French who currently serves as Alternate Commissioner.

MOTION: To recommend to the Board of Selectmen the appointment of David French as Commissioner to represent Hampton Falls on the Rockingham Planning Commission.

MOTION: L. SMITH
SECOND: B. MUTRIE
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C. Brown stated that the position for the Tactical Advisory Committee will need to be addressed by the Board of Selectmen. M. Kasprzak was asked to bring this matter to the Selectmen's attention. D. Smith explained that the Tactical Advisory Committee is part of a group that looks at transportation projects and advises whether or not projects should go forward. It also ranks projects for the NH Department of Transportation to take under advisement.

One alternate position on the RPC is now open. C. Brown stated she has spoken with an individual regarding this position. This matter will be addressed at a future meeting.

3. Alternate Member:

C. Brown reported that Alternate Member R. Rudowsky has resigned from his position of Alternate Member to the Planning Board. This leaves two Alternate positions open. She asked Board members to let her know of suggestions for persons who might be interested in serving. It was suggested to consider placing a notice in the newsletter seeking interested persons.

COMMUNICATIONS TO BOARD MEMBERS

PROPOSED AMENDMENT – SITE PLAN REVIEW REGULATIONS – SECTION 8.8 ILLUMINATION AND SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS, SECTION 7 – REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SUBDIVISION OF LAND, SECTION 7.1 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

C. Brown referred members to handouts provided this meeting as prepared by D. Smith. She asked that members read through the wording to determine if the amendments can be brought to the June meeting for public hearing.

Site Plan Review Regulations – Section 8.8 Illumination: Question was raised as to whether the Site Plan Review amendment would apply to indoor lighting such as lighted or neon signs in windows. D. Smith explained that the proposed amendment relates to outdoor lighting and that interior signs are regulated by a sign ordinance that would be addressed by code enforcement. D. Smith noted that in conjunction with a site plan review application, an applicant would be asked to provide details with regard to lighting and lighted signs. L. Smith stated that the sign ordinance may need to be addressed separately.

Following discussion, two amendments to the draft wording were made as follows:

“8.8 *Outdoor* Illumination

and

8.8.3 Moving, fluttering, blinking or flashing neon or tubular signs *and/or lights* shall not be permitted,…”

MOTION: To bring Site Plan Review Regulation Section 8.8, including the lighting diagrams, as amended, to public hearing on June 22.

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**MOTION: L. SMITH
SECOND: A. TONRY**

B. Mutrie questioned whether commonly used spot lights lighting front doors falls under Section 8.8.4 (seasonal holiday lighting). It was determined that spots lights used to light front doors year round are not seasonal.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Subdivision Regulations, Section 7 – Requirements For The Subdivision Of Land, Section 7.1 General Requirements: Questions were raised as to what the Board was trying to achieve with this ordinance. It was stated that control was being sought with regard to light shining up to the sky, light pollution and wasted energy. It was noted that the Planning Board has required down shielded lighting for both site plan and subdivision projects.

Discussion took place with regard to types of lighting used; pole lanterns, flood lights, etc. It was noted that Hampton Falls does not allow street lighting and that this proposed amendment relates to lighting that may be proposed by a developer of a subdivision and not the lighting used on a residential property. D. Smith restated that lighting on individual residential properties would fall under a Town ordinance addressed by code or zoning.

MOTION: To bring this proposed amendment (Subdivision Regulations, Section 7 – Requirements For The Subdivision Of Land, Section 7.1 General Requirements), as amended, to public hearing on June 22.

MOTION: L. SMITH (no action was taken on this motion)

Further discussion took place with regard to removing the wording “(non-decorative)” and “except for non-directional residential lighting such as porch, driveway and walkway lights” from the proposed amendment. Question was raised with regard to up-lighting on trees and other decorative lighting. D. Smith was asked to take the comments made this meeting and prepare another version of an amendment for consideration of the Board at its July 27 meeting. L. Smith stated he would also prefer a Dark Skies Ordinance. T. Franciosa suggested that the subdivision amendment either include or point to the drawings of lighting fixtures used for the proposed site plan review regulations amendment discussed earlier.

- Rockingham Planning Commission Annual Meeting, Wednesday, June 9: More information will be provided separately by email to Board members.
- Supply Lines With The Source – Spring 2010 Edition (drinking water)

Master Plan Chapter – Proposed Energy Chapter: C. Brown reported that the Energy Committee forwarded a proposed Energy Chapter to the Town Administrator. This has subsequently been forwarded to D. Smith for review before coming to the full Planning Board for consideration.

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Abby Tonry requested that this matter be brought forward as soon as possible as there are persons looking to install energy systems (wind turbines and solar) in conjunction with available state and federal energy credits. C. Brown and D. Smith noted that the proposed wording is not in a proper format and that additional information is suggested. The Energy Chapter will also need to be brought to public hearing before adopted. C. Brown suggested that A. Tonry's concern be addressed by the Board of Selectmen. M. Kasprzak suggested that a letter to the Board of Selectmen outlining the issue might be appropriate.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

MOTION: A. TONRY
SECOND: L. SMITH
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