

MINUTES

NEW DURHAM PLANNING BOARD

JANUARY 19, 2010

Chairperson Cathy Orlowicz called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Roll Call: Cathy Orlowicz (Chair), Bob Craycraft (Vice-Chair), Dot Veisel, David Bickford (Selectman's Representative), Scott Drummey (Alternate), Jeff Kratovil (Alternate)

Excused Absence: Paul Raslavicus,

Others Present:

Public Input: Chair Cathy Orlowicz asked if there was any public input. There was none.

Stormwater Management Ordinance: Chair Orlowicz noted that this was the second public hearing on this ordinance. She opened the discussion for public comment and noted that no members of the public were present. She asked Scott Drummey to sit for Paul Raslavicus.

David Allen reported on his conversation with Jennifer Viarengo to better understand “pre-treatment”. This is any man-made or natural process through which storm water goes before it is released into the storm water stream. It could be a screen covering a roof downspout to catch large materials, or it could be a settling pond that slows down the water so materials drop out of the stream.

He also reported that Ms. Viarengo had pointed out that many metal roofs nowadays are given a poly cover which prevents the washing out of metal molecules from the roof. Board members agreed by consensus they would consider such a roof to be non-metal for purposes of this ordinance.

Board members reviewed the RSA’s regarding agriculture and forestry and agreed that referring to RSA 21:34-a would exempt both agriculture and forestry.

Chair Orlowicz asked if any board members felt these changes were “substantive” changes that changed the meaning or effect of the ordinance. No one did

Bob Craycraft moved to place the Stormwater Management Ordinance, with the minor changes made at this meeting, on the 2010 Town Meeting Ballot. Scott Drummey seconded. Approved unanimously with no abstentions.

Amendments to Shorefront Protection Ordinance: Chair Orlowicz noted that this was the second public hearing on this ordinance. She opened the discussion for

public comment and noted that no members of the public were present. She asked Scott Drummey to sit for Paul Raslavicus.

Board members were comfortable with the ordinance as written. **Bob Craycraft moved to place the amendments to the Shore Front Protection Ordinance, as presented, on the 2010 Town Meeting Ballot. Dot Veisel seconded. Approved unanimously with no abstentions.**

Workforce Housing Amendments: Chair Orlowicz noted that this was the second public hearing on this ordinance. She opened the discussion for public comment and noted that no members of the public were present. She asked Scott Drummey to continue sitting for Paul Raslavicus.

Board members walked through the ordinance. David Bickford pointed out that the sentence defining multi-family housing read from 2 to 6 units. Since 2-unit housing is defined as a duplex it should read "from 3 to 6 units". Board members agreed by consensus to make that change.

Scott Drummey moved to place the Workforce Housing amendments, with the minor change made at this meeting, on the 2010 Town Meeting Ballot. Dot Veisel seconded. Approved unanimously with no abstentions.

Town Center: Bob Craycraft moved to rescind the Town Center Mixed Use Zoning District Ordinance, as approved on January 12, from the Town Meeting Ballot in order to allow for further refinements. Scott Drummey seconded. Approved unanimously with no abstentions.

The Board agreed by consensus on two changes: 1) add in the revised definition of adult use facilities as it had been agreed upon at a previous meeting; 2) remove "mobile homes" as a prohibited category in the Town Center district based on Town Counsel advice relative to the Shore Front Protection Ordinance. Board members agreed that these were not substantive changes.

Bob Craycraft moved that the Town Center Mixed Use Zoning District, with this meeting's minor revisions, be placed on the 2010 Town Meeting Ballot. Dot Veisel seconded. Approved unanimously with no abstentions.

Town Warrant: The Board reviewed the text of the Town Warrant as prepared by staff. David Bickford suggested replacing the last paragraph in Amendment 2 with the wording "reducing setback requirements" instead of the existing language. Board members agreed by consensus.

Scott Drummey moved to approve the Town Warrant language as amended at this meeting and to send it to the Town Clerk to place on the ballot for the 2010 Town Meeting. Dot Veisel seconded. Approved unanimously with no abstentions.

New/Old Business: Elections: Chair Cathy Orlowicz noted that the filing period for candidates for elected office would start the next morning, January 20 and run through January 29, 2010. She said that her 3-year term was the only one that was expiring and would be on the ballot this year, and that she would not be running for reelection. She encourages alternate members of the Board to consider signing up as candidates and encouraged Board members to encourage others to run as well.

Scott Drummey moved to adjourn at 8:43 PM. Dot Veisel seconded. Approved unanimously with no abstentions.

Respectfully submitted,

David Allen
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