

**TOWN OF SHEFFIELD
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
OCTOBER 9, 2014
UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM
7:00 PM**

Board Members Present: Eric Carlson, Chairman
Allison Lasso
Trudy Weaver Miller
Stephen Leining
Mark Bachetti

Others Present: Jill Hughes, Recording Secretary
Members of the public (see sign in sheet)

Chairman E. Carlson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes: The Board reviewed draft meeting minutes from September 11, 2014. *T. Weaver Miller motioned, with a second from S. Leining to approve the September 11, 2014 minutes as written. The motion passed 5-0.*

Review Mail: T. Weaver Miller handed out a contact list to members.

Bills Payable: There were no bills for the Board to approve.

Public Hearing: Chairman Carlson called the public hearing to order at 7:15 pm. The notice of public hearing was read into the record. Jeff Randall from Hill Engineers was present to represent Bayer Material Science LLC for a Special Permit under the provisions of Section 5.2 and 5.2.1 of the Town's Zoning Bylaws to install a new 6" water main in conjunction with a new 20-ft by 20-ft pump house building and a 30-ft diameter fire water storage tank behind the existing light manufacturing facility located at 119 Salisbury Road in the Village Center District.

Mr. Randall stated that Bayer wants to install a sprinkler/fire suppression system within their facility. The pump house and storage tank are required because the existing water main on the road has very low pressure. Mr. Randall explained that the water line will be installed down the driveway that Bayer owns, the tank and pump house is strictly for fire protection and the applicant will pay all costs associated with the connection and installation of the new water main. There will be no additional parking needed. Discussion ensued about what type of pump will be used and the amount of noise it will make when it is running. Mr. Randall stated that the pump will run every few weeks for testing during the day and they will meet the sound standard requirements. The Board asked if any new outside lighting would be installed. The representatives from Bayer stated that since there is no work station there will be no new lighting at night beyond the existing lighting.

A discussion ensued about the existing fire protection pond on the property and if the Fire Department would be able to hook up to the sprinkler system/water tank. Representatives from Bayer explained that there is a dry hydrant at the pond, but the Fire Department

cannot hook up to the hydrant because of the wrong connection. They are looking into it. They will also talk to the fire suppression expert about the possibility of the Fire Department being able to hook up to the sprinkler system/water tank.

M. Bachetti motioned, with a second from T. Weaver Miller to close the public hearing and deliberate on the Special Permit application for Bayer. The motion passed 5-0.

A discussion ensued about the proposed project and conditions to be made.

T. Weaver Miller motioned, with a second from S. Leining to grant the Special Permit request from Bayer Material Science, LLC with the following conditions:

1. The applicant will arrange for a third party, certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to perform noise testing or a Professional Engineer to conduct noise level tests to determine the facility's compliance with the noise performance standard set forth in Section 7.2.1 of the Sheffield Zoning Bylaws. The test will be performed during the hours of 8 AM to 4 PM. The test will be performed after construction is complete and the pump and related components covered by the Special Permit are operating at full capacity (for the duration of the test).

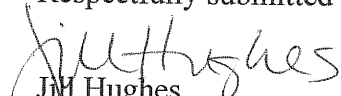
The motion passed 5-0.

M. Bachetti motioned, with a second from T. Weaver Miller to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm.

The following documents were reviewed during the Board's meeting and have been retained as required by the Massachusetts Public Retention Policy: Sign in sheet; Draft meeting minutes 9/11/14; Special Permit application from Bayer Material Science LLC.

Respectfully submitted by:


JM Hughes
Recording Secretary