

## STRATFORD PLANNING BOARD

2020-08-18: Business Meeting Minutes

1. MEMBERS PRESENT: Rachel O'Meara, Vicki DeLalla, Clayton Macdonald, Denis Corbeil, Chase Cavazos, Bruce Blodgett
2. PUBLIC PRESENT: Kathy LaFrance
3. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 18:30
4. Rachel appointed Bruce to fill the vacant member seat.
5. Discussed the Joshua Simpson lot changes application. Determined that they can be treated simply as a lot line adjustment. Rachel moved to so treat the application and return the merger fee. Rachel/Vicki 5/0.
6. Considered the amendments to the surveyor's plan to satisfy the lot line adjustment checklist. Rachel to contact York Land Services with the changes.
7. Meeting to hear abutters and approve application set for August 22.
8. Discussed the Master Plan vision statement. Several changes were suggested to be discussed at the next Master Plan public forum on August 29.
9. Discussed other possible topics for the public forum on August 29.
10. Considerable discussion about the impact of recent campground activity in Town, especially a new business that has caused concern. That in turn led to much discussion on the issue of land use ordinances, what form they might take, how they can be enacted and enforced, the politics involved, and citizen participation in the development of ordinances. Concern was expressed that without enforceable ordinances, the Town was very vulnerable to change that does not match the wishes expressed in the responses to the Master Plan survey. Kathy was very active in expressing her concern that the Town be proactive on these matters, and that the qualities that attracted her to Stratford were being endangered due to the failure by and legal incapacity of the Town to manage how the Town develops. It was noted that there appears to be a general increase in similar concerns among many of the Town's residents.
11. Approved minutes Vickie, Vicki/Rachel 5/0
12. Meeting adjourned, Rachel/Denis 5/0 @ 19:58
13. NEXT MEETING: 2020-08-22 @ 18:30