

STRATFORD PLANNING BOARD

2018-08-21: Business Meeting Minutes

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 18:30
2. MEMBERS PRESENT: Rachel O'Meara, Wayne Labatte, Vicki DeLalla, Clayton Macdonald, Harry Juergens, Bruce Blodgett
3. PUBLIC PRESENT: Thomas Whelan, Jamie Sayen, Charles Goulet
4. Thomas Whelan and Bruce Blodgett pointed out that we needed to appoint a replacement for the absent full member. Rachel O'Meara appointed Harry Juergens.
5. MINUTES: Minutes for 2018-07-17 business meeting were approved 5/0.
6. BUSINESS: Discussed changes in the Right To Know Law which requires stating that movers of 1st and 2nd motions be specifically named, starting January 2019. Agreed to change procedures to reflect this change. Discussed further aspects of minutes and the recording of votes.

Discussed offer from the owner of the Center Stratford cell tower owner to plant hedge. Discussed that the Planning Board has no authority to demand such a planting and that plantings might present security issues. Rachel requested permission, without objection, to thank the owner for considering an the effort to improve the site's appearance.

Discussed the possibility of a Dick LaBonte campground on the Cloutier property on the Stratford Bog Rd. Mr. LaBonte expressed no immediate plans to subdivide. Talked about general aspects of impacts of such a campground. Noted that, at this time, his stated plans do not appear to fall under any condominium interpretation.

Discussed the need to amend lot merger form.

Rachel announced her upcoming attendance to a NHMA training session for managing meetings.

Bruce questioned if an additional subdivision regulation stating that a non-complying private road would not be grounds for denying a subdivision given a waiver holding the Town harmless for such a road. Issues introduced were insuring that this be in perpetuity, and how to insure follow-up after the fact. Discussed the legal issues including impact on future subdivisions, potential disputes due to A getting the waiver and B not getting the waiver. Whether such a waiver protects the Town from legal action taken by emergency

service providers who suffer harm in the course of trying to provide services.

7. Entered Non-Public session under RSA 91-A:3, II(1) to discuss legal advice from Gardner, Fulton & Waugh.
8. Returned to Public Session. Vicki/Rachel moved to approve subdivision changes, in accordance with legal council's suggestions.
9. Decided to further research the issues discussed concerning Bruce's proposed addition to the subdivision regulations and to postpone setting a date for the public hearing until such time as a decision about the addition can be made.
10. Amended procedures to identify the locations for the posting of Public Hearings. Motions Clay/Vicki; 5/0
11. NEXT MEETING: 2018-09-18
12. ADJOURNED: 8:55 PM

Minutes transcribed by: Clayton Macdonald