

MEETING MINUTES
GEORGETOWN PLANNING BOARD
Wednesday, June 23, 2010
7:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. Harry LaCortiglia; Mrs. Matilda Evangelista; Mr.; Mr. Tim Howard; Mr. Hugh Carter (arrives at 7:42) Mr. Christopher Rich (arrives at 7:47)
Mr. Nicholas Cracknell, Town Planner

Absent: None

Meeting is called to order at 7:40 PM

Motion by Mrs. Evangelista to accept the October 28, 2009 minutes

Seconded by Mr. Howard

Motion carries – unanimously (3-0 with two members absent)

{Mr. Carter arrives at 7:42 pm}

Motion by Mr. LaCortiglia to approve the vouchers totaling \$3554.20

Seconded by Mr. Howard

Motion carries - unanimously (4-0 with 1 member absent)

{Mr. Rich arrives at 7:47 pm}

Rock Pond Estates

Applicant James Bussing requesting a subdivision extension to Dec 31, 2010.

Form M for Rock Pond Estates subdivision is currently out of date

Motion by Mr. LaCortiglia to extend the subdivision permit to Dec 31, 2010

Seconded by Mr. Rich

Motion carries - unanimously

Mr. Bussing is also looking to change a condition of the original decision by modifying the Landscape Plan. This is a request that was sent to the board only today. The board does not have a copy of the original Certificate of Vote; Landscape Plan or a report of the existing conditions relating to the plantings, before them at this meeting due to the late nature of this request.

Mr. Bussing explains that the Landscape Plan calls for five sourwood trees to be installed on the street (Richardson Lane). He would like to change the trees to a more easily available species.

He states that the species called for in the landscape plan is difficult to obtain.

Mr Bussing is asked to relate all of this and any other requests he may have to modify the original conditions of the decision to the board in writing so that the board can have the appropriate information before them and have adequate time to gather the appropriate information.

This will be deferred to the next meeting of the board.

Mr. Cracknell will review the landscape plan in the file and will contact the subdivision inspector, Dave Varga

Development Guidebook

Mr. Cracknell informs the board that the Board of Selectmen (BOS) has approved the Development Guidebook

BOS intends to create and appoint a Development Review Committee consisting of 10 members.

Harmony Lane

Mr. Cracknell informs the board that the preconstruction meeting for the Harmony Lane subdivision was held on June 16, 2010. The Subdivision Inspector, Dave Varga has inspected the site and his report is on file in the Planning Board office. Construction is scheduled to commence next week

It is related by Mr. Cracknell that the Conservation Agent attending the meeting disapproved of the species of trees that was called for in the original decision (hemlock) due to concerns over their susceptibility to the woolly adelgid

Mr. Cracknell will look into this further and report back to the board at the next meeting.

Littles Hill Subdivision –update

Mr. Cracknell reports that it was related to him by the applicant that the base for sidewalk is done and that all remaining curbing is installed. Final topcoat pavement will be installed next week.

The Subdivision Inspector, Dave Varga has been asked to inspect.

FY 2010 Final Expenses

Mr. Cracknell reports that there is adequate funding remaining in the FY2010 budget to have documents that are needed to be printed for distribution to the public

He recommends printing 25 copies of the zoning bylaw booklets;

25 Updated subdivision regulations booklets;

25 copies of the Development Guidebook

He is also recommending the purchase a monitor for the office computer.

Motion by Mr. LaCortiglia to authorize the expenditure of 955.13

Seconded by Mr. Rich

Motion carries – unanimously

Mr. Cracknell brings up an issue within the Littles Hill subdivision that was brought to his attention only today.

The fence intending to separate the abutters to the U-10 soccer field (situated on a parcel of land owned by the Town under management and control of the Park and Rec Dept.) is no longer in manageable condition. The stockade fence is dilapidated and was mostly removed by the Park and Rec Dept. An evergreen wall was planted by the Park and Rec. This morning a chain link fence was being installed to replace the stockade fence. One of the abutters called the Town Administrator to voice his displeasure with the chain link fence. Subsequently the fence installer was asked to stop installing the fence.

Mr. Cracknel will contact the Park and Rec Dept. to inform them that any changes to the original approval will need to come before the board under a request to modify the originally approved decision.

This will be deferred to the next meeting of the board.

Motion by Mr. Rich to adjourn

Seconded by Mr. Howard

Motion carries - unanimously

Meeting is adjourned at 9:01 pm