Newton Planning Board

NEWTON PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES July 27th, 2021



Chairman Andrews called the Newton Planning Board meeting to order at: 7:01PM.

Present, in-person were:

Members: Mr. Andrews Ms. Collyer Mr. Moran Mr. LaVoie Also Present: Mr. Marchand – Alternate Mr. Zalenski – Alternate

and James Doggett - PB AA

Present, via Zoom were:

Member Ms. White and Ms. Rowden - Circuit Rider

Chairman Andrews appointed Mr. Marchand as a voting member in place of Mr. White and appointed Mr. Zalenski as a voting member in place of Mr. LaVoie.

1. Public Hearing:

1. Chairman Andrews called the Public Hearing to order at: 7:05PM and read:

Theresa and Scott Goad of Newton, NH request a Public Hearing for a Home-Based Business - Selling seafood at 109 N. Main Street, Newton, NH. The property is referenced as Tax Map 9, Block 3, Lot 6.

Chairman Andrews invited Mr. Goad to present his application.

Mr. Goad expressed that It was simply the sale of live lobsters and clams. There would be a small sign at the end of his driveway, the seafood would be stored indoors in 2 260-gallon tanks. Outdoors during sale time would be a folding table with a scale. The sign, table and scale would be taken in when the sales day was done.

Chairman Andrews asked Ms. Rowden for her input on completeness of the application.

Ms. Rowden asked how many clients the applicant expected to see on the best day.

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- Mr. Goad stated he was unsure as it is a new venture. He plans to start with 50 lobsters, at the moment clams are unavailable due to red tide.
- Mr. Andrews asked about the number of people at one time and his hours of operation.
- Mr. Goad stated that his hours would be noon to 6:00PM on Saturdays and Sundays.
- Ms. Rowden spoke about the regulations stating that there should be no outdoor evidence of the business but felt that the table being present only during sale hours would not be an issue as long as it is understood that it and the scale would be stored indoors when the business is not in operation.
- Mr. Goad stated that he understood that necessity.
- Mr. Andrews commented about the table and asked what the customer experience would be.
- Mr. Goad stated a person would pull into his driveway and see the table near the house.
- Mr. Zalenski asked about the need for a State Permit for the entrance/exit as had been required of another applicant in the past.
- (Mr. LaVoie arrived and took his seat, Mr. Zalenski was no longer a voting member.)
- Ms. Rowden stated as a home-based business it did not need a State Permit as this applicant was not selling cooked food.
- Mr. Marchand asked if Mr. Goad was going to rely on foot traffic or if he was going to advertise.
- Mr. Goad stated he would be announcing his business on Facebook but that was all the advertising he planned.
- Ms. Collyer asked for the size of the table.
- Mr. Goad stated it was a 6-foot table.
- There was a discussion of parking how people would access the business. No clients backing onto Route 108 could be a condition of approval
- Ms. Rowden commented about possible conditions of approval.
- Ms. Collyer **MOVED** to take jurisdiction; Mr. Moran seconded the motion.

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Mr. Andrews asked Administrative Assistant Doggett to call the roll:

Mr. Andrews – Aye Mr. Marchand – Aye Mr. Moran – Aye Ms. Collyer – Aye Mr. LaVoie - Aye Ms. White – Aye Unanimous vote

Chairman Andrews invited the Public to give input or ask questions. There was no public in attendance

Chairman Andrews asked for a motion on the application.

Ms. Collyer **MOVED** to Approve the Application with the following conditions:

Conditions Precedent:

1. Obtain all Local, State, And Federal Land Use Permits

Conditions Subsequent:

- 1. No outdoor storage of any materials.
- 2. The weigh station will use a maximum of an 8-feet long table that will be stored indoors when not in use.
- 3. The maximum hours of operation shall be: Saturday & Sunday 10:00AM to 6:00PM
- 4. No customer's vehicles will back out onto Route 108.

Mr. Marchand seconded the motion.

Mr. Andrews asked Administrative Assistant Doggett to call the roll:

Mr. Andrews – Aye Mr. Marchand – Aye Mr. Moran – Aye Ms. Collyer – Aye Mr. LaVoie - Aye Ms. White – Aye Unanimous vote

Chairman Andrews closed the public hearing at 7:29.

2. Board Business and Correspondence

A. Acceptance of minutes of the 7/13/21 meeting

Mr. Marchand **MOVED** to accept the minutes.; Ms. White seconded the motion.

Mr. Andrews asked Administrative Assistant Doggett to call the roll:

Mr. Andrews – Aye Mr. Marchand – Aye Mr. Moran – Aye Ms. Collyer – Aye Mr. LaVoie - Aye Ms. White – Aye Unanimous vote

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- **B.** NPREA Manifest There was no NPREA Manifest.
- **C.** Committees
 There were no Committee reports.

There was a brief discussion about in-person vs virtual attendance. Ms. Collyer informed the Board she would be out of state for August and September and would be using the Zoom option to attend. Ms. White will also be attending via Zoom.

A.A. Doggett will send a note with his email reminders for the meeting asking members to inform him if they are unable to attend in person so the Chair can be informed if a quorum will not be physically present, and the meeting would need to be rescheduled.

3. Adjourn.

Chairman. Andrews adjourned the meeting at 7:38PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

James L. Doggett, AA Newton Planning Board