

NEWTON PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING
July 11, 2017

Call to Order: Chair Barbara White called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. In attendance were: Chair Barbara White, Vice Chair Jim Doggett, Planning Board members: James White, Roger Hamel, Charlie Melvin, Sandra Estabrook, James Holland; Alternate Mary Allen; and Circuit Rider Planner Jennifer Rowden. Minutes were transcribed by Administrative Assistant Gail LeBlanc.

The meeting began with a salute to the flag.

B. White said she would be going out of order from the agenda because someone from the public would like to address the Board.

Tom Lukborg of Northern Constructors, on behalf of Coleman McDonough, appeared before the PB to request the PB accept the Site Plans and be put on the agenda for the next PB meeting, July 25, 2017. Mr. Lukborg explained that the variances on Lot 27-4 (Legends Baseball Field), expire July 22, 2017. R. Hamel and J. Holland, recused themselves at this point. Chair White appointed Alternate Mary Allen in R. Hamel's place. B. White polled the PB on whether they would accept the revised site plan. Discussion ensued. J. Doggett stated that Plans are not generally accepted at PB meetings. J. Rowden explained that it should have been submitted weeks ago in order to post legal notices and notify abutters. Mr. Lukborg apologized for the lateness of the application and said it's been hung up with the attorneys.

J. Rowden said that you cannot get an extension on a variance. J. Doggett said that it was a matter of whether the PB would suspend their policies and procedures in accepting the plan for review. J. Doggett stated that the PB would have to make a motion to suspend its policy and accept the plan. J. White said he did not want to set a precedent by accepting applications at the PB meetings. J. Doggett agreed. Chair White asked if anyone wanted to make a motion and go against procedure and accept this plan. No motion was made. The plan was not accepted. B. White told Mr. Lukborg that he would need to go through regular procedure. J. Rowden stated there were two options. They could apply for variances or they could alter the plan so that no variances would be needed.

R. Hamel and J. Holland rejoined the Board.

At 7:15 PM, J. Doggett made a motion to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (c).

At 7:42 PM, public meeting resumed.

2. Board Business and Correspondence

2. a. Acceptance of minutes from June 27, 2017: J. Doggett moved to approve the minutes of June 27, 2017. J. White second. R. Hamel requested a change under MS4 Stormwater Management Update, “. . . ***the Town of Newton will need to make changes to its ordinance.***” Change ordinance to regulation. All in favor.

2. b. Manifests: J. Doggett moved to approve the Operating Budget manifest in the amount of \$6,039.00. J. White second with unanimous vote. J. Doggett abstained.

J. Doggett moved to approve the NPREA manifest in the amount of \$441.87. C. Melvin second with unanimous vote.

S. Estabrook asked about the status of Atty. Hogan/ Mr. Twiss' concerns with Kinsley Corner. All documents have been forwarded to the Town Counsel for review.

3. Adjourn: J. Doggett moved to adjourn at 7:50 PM, second by C. Melvin with unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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