

Planning Board 2023-05-09

Meeting minutes_draft

Attendees: Dr. Paul Ziarnowski, Jim Liegl, Jay Jackson, David Stringfellow, Attorney Sean Costello, Town Liaison Jennifer Lucachik, Planning Consultant Sarah DeJardins David Bowen, Gary Stisser, Elizabeth Schutt

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mr. Ziarnowski at 730pm

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 2023 – motion to accept by Mr. Jackson

2nd by Mr. Ziarnowski

Approved

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES by

2ND BY Mr. Liegl

APPROVED

3. OLD BUSINESS:

none

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Boston Patriots Little League Football – Town Park Lighting

Tom Frascella, Bill Frascella, Mike Frascella

Mr. Ziarnowski – looking for historical data and what the issues are.

Mr. Frascella relayed that the original plan for the project was to have a couple more sets of lights over where the two new poles were put up.

Mr. Ziarnowski asked if there was a plan for the new poles. RESPONSE: Yes, it was all provided to the town, to Jason Keding. Advised that the board members should have copies, do you have them? RESPONSE: No Copies are available for the file.

Mr. Ziarnowski asked: Were the poles placed before it was approved or RESPONSE: After. Everything was approved by Jason and the poles were put up after.

Mr. Frascella talked more about the pole and the lights. (recording:3:14) More lighting needed since the program has grown.

Mr. Ziarnowski asked who they spoke to for approval. RESPONSE: Jason Keding provided a quote

Mr. Ziarnowski had a private conversation with Mr. Cartechine and talked about lights. (recording: 4:21)

Pre-meeting with the Town Board, Mr. Cartechine said Planning Board was ok with it. The discussion was a private conversation, Mr. Ziarnowski is one of seven board members. Jason Keding then called Mr. Ziarnowski and asked what has changed. RESPONSE: nothing has changed.

Mr. Frascella talked more to the board about the type of lighting. Frey Electric was referenced and that flood lights are needed. All the lighting was going to be donated but now the kids have aged out.

Mr. Ziarnowski asked how did Code Enforcement Officer fit in? RESPONSE: no idea. Mr. Ziarnowski mentioned that there was no permit made. Want something done but a permit must be requested.

RESPONSE: Mr. Frascella says they are still working on with the changes. Mr. Frascella spoke about what Jason

Keding said. Mr. Ziarnowski asked if they spoke with COE. RESPONSE: No, they were told that Jason was talking to COE. Jason said they were good to go. Email could be provided (none provided at this meeting). Mr. Ziarnowski had further discussion about the lights (flood lights). Jason is concerned with feedback with flood lights from the neighbors. Mr. Fascella talked about the Temporary Lighting.

Mr. Fascella commented that they could get petitions. Mr. Fascella says they were being guided by Jason. Mr. Ziarnowski commented that from the Planning Board point of view, what do you need.

RESPONSE: Nothing crazy. What is the big deal – turning the lights on and off. The lights there now have been there since the 90's. Further light discussion (recording: 13:00)

Ms. Weiss – should there be recommunication from Jason and the PB? RESPONSE: Mr. Ziarnowski wanted this group to come to the Planning Board. Not sure of what recommunication.

Mr. Ziarnowski commented that they can use diesel lights or flood lights. Will talk to Jason Keding.

Mr. Fascella commented again that they got approval from Jason.

Mr. Bowen asked about what are the regulations needed? RESPONSE: Mr. Fascella commented that this has been going on since 2019.

Ms. DesJardins commented that she does not think there is something from the Planning Board to approve. Attorney Costello commented that the Town Board was hoping the Planning Board would give a recommendation to appropriate lighting.

Mr. Bowen commented that they have nothing to comment on.

Mr. Ziarnowski commented that there was a process that should have happened.

Mr. Fascella commented again that they went by what Jason said.

Ms. DesJardins relayed that there isn't something that the Planning Board can approve or disapprove.

Mr. Jackson asked if it involves any zoning? No, it's Town property. We are not the right group.

Mr. Ziarnowski commented further (recording 19:00)

Mr. Fascella want the lights turned on and then to be turned off when done. 6pm to 8pm. Sept to Oct.

Mr. Bowen – what is the liability of the Town? RESPONSE: have insurance – turned into the town every year.

Mr. Liegl can hear frustration. Believe they thought they were doing what they were supposed to be doing. The Town Board is looking for info about lighting. Let's get the info about the lights for the Town Board.

RESPONSE: offered to purchase the lights.

Mr. Liegl commented on the issue is the lighting, which is something the Planning Board does not have.

Mr. Ziarnowski commented that they did not do anything themselves from the beginning. RESPONSE: Yes. Frey Electric provided insurance to do the electrical.

Mr. Ziarnowski says they need to see COE/Tom Murphy for a permit. RESPONSE: Yes, once they are at that point

Mr. Stringfellow- the program is over at 8pm. Are other people going to turn the lights on? RESPONSE: No, the box is locked.

Mr. Stringfellow – I don't see grounds for the neighbors to complain.

Councilwoman Lucachik commented that there have not been complaints regarding the lights.

Mr. Stringfellow – other projects that have lighting – car dealer wanted more lighting at night – got a map of how much light was going to fall and intensity – inside and outside the grounds. Not sure where this comes from.

Mr. Ziarnowski relayed that this is from the lumen study. (recording 25:50)

Mr. Tom Fascella is hoping that FREY Electric will still do the work since their kids aged out.

Mr. Stisser sees the frustration with false guidance.

Mr. Jackson says it is difficult to resolve with someone not in attendance.

Mr. Fascella have documentation. (provided for the file).

Councilwoman Lucachik – the flood lighting is required for the participants for the safety reason. Flood lights are used for games only and then turned off. Have not received any complaints about the generators.

Ms. Lucachik – did not know where this went. Can connect with Jason. The intention is to keep it out of residences yards.

Mr. Fascella commented about the poles/lights – the 2 at the end of the baseball field – facing the town hall.

Ms. Lucachik– if have copies for the Planning Board – RESPONSE: yes (provided)

It was explained on what they are trying to plan.

Attorney Costello – meeting on discussed by the Planning Board with the Boston Patriots Football Little League with understanding that the lights will be turned off at 8pm. (letter to be provided by Attorney Costello to the Town Board)

Mr. Ziarnowski – appreciated their attendance. If it can be controlled, no issues from the Planning Board.

b. Tracy Hirsch – Requesting Pre-liminary Plat Approval of a 3 lot sub-division to be located at 7044 Omphalius Rd

Mike Carrol here on behalf of Tracy Hirsch. Mr. Hirsch on his way to the meeting.

Tracy Hirsch now available to speak to the board members

Mr. Ziarnowski confirmed: splitting 3 lots – 7044 Omphalius rd – RESPONSE: Yes - 2 lots being sold. The 3rd lot is being retained.

Mr. Ziarnowski - lots 2 and 3 being requested. RESPONSE - both are just over 7 acres each. Keeping the 3rd lot. Mr. Ziarnowski commented about the survey stakes.

Ms. DesJardins commented that we need to set a public hearing.

Mr. Ziarnowski needs a motion to set a public hearing for next month.

Motion made by Mr. Jackson to hold the public hearing on June 13th.

2nd by Mr. Stisser

APPROVED

BOARD OF ELECTIONS

NOMINATION for Chairman

Motion made to nominate Mr. Paul Ziarnowski by Mr. Stisser

2nd by Ms. Schutt

Accepted by Mr. Ziarnowski

All in favor - APPROVED

NOMINATION for Vice Chair

Nomination for Mr. Jim Liegl made by Mr. Stisser

2nd by Mr. Ziarnowski

Accepted by Mr. Liegl

All in favor - ACCEPTED

NOMINATION for Secretary

Nomination made for Ms. Elizabeth Schutt by Mr. Liegl

2nd by Mr. Ziarnowski

Accepted by Ms. Schutt

All in favor - ACCEPTED

5. REPORTS

Planning Consultant/Ms. DeJardins – nothing to report

Town Attorney/Sean Costello – nothing to report

Town Board Liaison/Ms. Lucachik – Coordinating a meeting at the end of June.

Need a board member to be on the committee – Ms. Lucachik recommended 2 people. 1 to 2 meetings a month for about a year, year and half. Asked to attend the meeting.

When are the meetings? Ms. Lucachik - don't know yet.

Consultant: Clark Patterson

Mr. Costello – won't know until you are on the committee - understanding the meetings will be for different purposes. Try to facilitate some by zoom.

Mr. Stisser – interested but depends on when the meetings are

Mr. Costello – need someone on the board

Mr. Jackson – goal was to attend as a resident rather than a board member but would join.

Mr. Stisser and Mr. Jackson – joining the committee

Ms. Weiss is interested as an alternate.

Mr. Costello – everyone can participate as a citizen

Board Clerk –

Need to approve February minutes

Motion made by Mr. Liegl to approve the minutes

2nd by Ms. Schutt

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Attorney Costello – talked about the Solar project. It was on the Town Board correspondence. A lot of people showed up.

Mr. Ziarnowski - did they cut a road yet? RESPONSE from Mr. Costello: do not know.

Mr. Costello – an access road would be off Feddick. Don't know about another possible road.

6. Motion made to adjourn the meeting at by Mr. Stringfellow

2nd by Mr. Liegl

APPROVED

Closed at 816p