

Planning Board Minutes

Town of Lyman

July 18, 2018

Planning Board Meeting

Members Present: Chairman Roderick Tetu, Kelly Demers, Cecile Dupuis, Don Hernon, Michael Rancourt, CEO Patti McKenna and Penny Thomas, Planning Board Clerk

Others in attendance: Fire Chief Hooper and two residents from Walker Road, Lyman: Steve Marble and Arthur Gagne

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Tetu.

Mr. Hernon made a motion that Mr. Rancourt be given voting rights for the meeting due to the absence of one Board Member. Mrs. Dupuis seconded and all approved.

Monthly Report: The Monthly Report was reviewed, and Mr. Tetu made a motion to accept as written. Mr. Demers seconded and was approved by all.

Review documents from Fire Chief Hooper regarding proposal for sprinkler requirements:

Chief Hooper delivered to the Board an updated copy of his recommendations for modifying the Subdivision Regulations to improve fire safety coverage for new subdivisions. The proposed change would require all new homes in a subdivision to be sprinklered. With a few minor edits, the Board felt it was in good order to take it to the next level for approval. A Public Hearing was scheduled for 6:45PM, just before the next PB Meeting on August 1, 2018.

Discuss CEO McKenna's suggestion that the Board amend the agricultural ordinance in response to issues that have arisen:

CEO McKenna suggested that the Board consider amending the Zoning Ordinance to consider specifically stating that farming can be considered on lots of 1 acre or larger in the Residential zone. Residents from Walker Road would additionally like to add the verbiage from Residential Zoning regarding control of excessive domestic farm animal noise and odors to the General Zoning regulations as well.

The two attendees from Walker Road then spoke of their frustration with an abutter and the loud noises generated nightly by multiple roosters being kept on their property. While the Board sympathized with the neighbors, handling of the problem is not in the domain of the Planning Board or the CEO given the current ordinances.

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The Board stated that any ordinance changes would take months to accomplish. As a possible short-term solution, it was suggested that they formally go the Board of Selectmen and appeal to them for assistance.

During discussion it was determined that the Zoning Ordinance section on general purpose land use does have a section on noise control for farming. It involves measurement of decibel levels from 10PM to 7AM. CEO McKenna stated that she would contact the Maine Department of Agriculture to see if they can assist us. She will also do research on decibel meters to either buy or borrow.

Discuss the Board of Selectmen request that the Planning Board design a road/street standard for adopting town roads:

CEO McKenna stated that she had begun researching documentation on this topic from Arundel. While their ordinance handles far more situations than Lyman needs to cover at this time, the core wording should serve as a good base for Lyman to begin.

Annual election of PB Officers:

Officers as of 07/01/18

Chairman of the Board	Rod Tetu
Vice Chair	Don Hernon
Secretary	Cecile Dupuis

Mr. Demers made a motion that the current officers remain in place. It was seconded by Mr. Hernon, and all voted favorable.

Minutes: The minutes from the June 6, 2018 meeting were reviewed by the Board. After a minor change was requested, Mr. Hernon made a motion to accept, Mr. Demers seconded, and the vote was unanimous to accept the minutes as edited.

Mail: There was no significant mail.

Agenda for August 1, 2018 Meeting:

Public Hearing regarding changes to the Subdivision Ordinance 6:45PM

PB Meeting 7:00PM

Minutes

Discussion resulting from Public Hearing

Workshop & Training (Time permitting)

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ADJOURNMENT: PB Chairman moved to close the meeting at 8:20 PM, seconded by Mr. Demers, all in favor.

Please note that there is no accompanying recording due to recorder malfunction.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Thomas, Clerk

Roderick Tetu, Chairman

Joseph Wagner



Cecile Dupuis, Secretary



Donald Herson, Vice Chair



Kelly J. Demers

Michael Rancourt