



Canaan Planning Board
Meeting of August 14, 2014
Mascoma Senior Center
Minutes

Call to Order

6:00 John Bergeron called the meeting to order. Members present: John Bergeron, David McAlister (selectboard), Kathi Meyerson, Carol Ann Morrison and Chuck Townsend.

Minutes Review

Chuck Townsend read the minutes from the July 10, 2014 meeting. David McAlister moved approval with a date corrected. After a second by Kathi Meyerson, the motion was approved.

John Bergeron read minutes prepared by Barbara Dolyak for the July 24, 2014 meeting. Carol Meyerson noted a date correction. Kathi Morrison moved that we accept the minutes with revision, and John Bergeron seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Correspondence

Scott Sanborn sent a request for conditional approval of Major Subdivison for Canaan IV Real Estate Trust, and a further continuance of the hearing until the August 28th meeting at 6:30 at the Canaan Senior Center.

Other business that may come before the Planning Board

David McAlister moved that we resume usig a 7:00 pm start time for Planning Board meetings starting with the first meeting in September. Kathi Meyerson seconded the motion and it was passed.

Continued Hearing – Major Subdivison for Canaan IV Real Estate Trust

6:15 John Bergeron opened the continued public hearing. David McAlister moved that we continue the hearing until August 28, 2014 at 6:15 at the Senior Center. Motion seconded by Kathi Meyerson and passed unanimously.

Planning Board Discussion — Excavation Regulations

The board discussed the draft revision of the template excavation regulations that Mary Pinkham-Langer from NH DRA provided prior to the May 22, 2014 meeting. The Board discussed whether the complexity of the draft was necessary or whether a simpler regulation would make sense. John Bergeron apologized for not doing the research he had planned for simplifying the draft plan. The Board agreed in discussion that simplifying the regulations is important, but that the regulations should clearly show what is grandfathered, and that the requirements for the final status of the disturbed land should be clear. The Board decided to request that John Bergeron distribute links to three alternative town regulations and that Chuck Townsend should resend the draft he prepared around August 21 for discussion at the August 28, 2014 meeting.

Planning Board Discussion — Master Plan

The board reviewed further work needed for the **Master Plan** revision.

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Chuck Townsend reviewed his investigation of the land disturbance on the Lot 25-1 property next to the Methodist Church on U. S. Route 4. He distributed copies of the tax map and a Google map showing the property. From his inspection and discussion with Jen Drociak, Compliance Specialist at DES, Townsend determined that there had been no egregious noncompliance and that there was not sufficient cause to prepare a complaint.

Adjournment

6:45 David McAlister moved adjournment with a second from Kathi Morrison. The motion was approved.

Respectfully submitted
Chuck Townsend, Vice Chair