

Holliston Planning Board Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2016

In Attendance: Vice Chairman Geoffrey Zeamer, David Thorn, and Josh Santoro. Taro Matsuno and Warren Chamberlain were absent

Call to Order: The Vice Chairman called the regular meeting to order at 9:00 p.m. in Room 105 of the Town Hall, 703 Washington Street.

General Business:

1. Downtown Corridor Plan Discussion

Discussion was limited to a Streetscape Workshop with Cecil Group under the MDI Technical Assistance program. Mr. Cecil and Qian Pan were present to discuss the following: Planning Goals, Study Process, Previous Planning Efforts, Existing Conditions and Design Character and Preferences. A next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, July 19th. Also in attendance were Inge Daniels, Karen Apuzzo-Langton, and Robert Weidknecht.

2. Approval of Minutes of June 2, 2016

On a motion by Mr. Thorn, seconded by Mr. Santoro, the draft minutes of June 2, 2016 were approved as written.

3. Site Plan Review of Paul Smith, 17 Whitney Street

Joyce Hastings, PLS of GLM Engineering Consultants, Inc. was present with owner Paul Smith. Ms. Hastings explained that the central improvement is a new building for vehicle and equipment storage (30x50) for existing fleet. Construction will have utilities and a floor drain & tight tank. An old house and garage (characterized as an eyesore) will be demolished and existing retaining walls, walkways and outdoor storage bins will be relocated and reconfigured. No salt or asphalt materials are being stored on site to serve the paving or snow plowing aspects of the business. Snow plows and pallets are stored at the rear of the building. Gravel, crushed stone and sand are stored on site.

Ms. Hastings represented that the Conservation Commission approved this plan modification with grass swale & stone filter trench and planting strip at the rear to filter materials earlier this evening. Additionally, a caveat has been added to restrict vehicle washing.

A site plan review special condition will be added to limit pile heights max. 12' in 15' x 15' bins. Motion by Mr. Thorn to approve the Site Plan Review application as discussed with general and special conditions. Mr. Santoro seconded with all in favor.

4. Site Plan Review Amendment of Grasshopper Tree & Landscape, Inc., 67 Jeffrey Ave.

Joyce Hastings, PLS of GLM Engineering Consultants, Inc. was present to discuss a proposed site plan amendment to remove and relocate a portion of the existing outdoor storage bins to create five new 24x8x6' stone bins constructed from solid concrete blocks. A site plan review special condition will be added to limit pile heights to 6', continue the existing fence screening as far as possible to the gates along the north side of the property, and update the as-built plan. A memorandum will be submitted to the file and to the Building Inspector.

Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m. on a motion made and duly seconded. The next meeting was scheduled for June 30, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Sherman, Town Planner

Approved: July 19, 2016