

Holliston Planning Board Meeting Minutes of January 30, 2020

In Attendance: Chairman David Thorn, Karen Apuzzo-Langton, Warren Chamberlain, Josh Santoro, and Jason Santos.

Call to Order: The Chairman called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Select Board Meeting Room (#105) of the Town Hall, 703 Washington Street.

General Business:

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Santoro, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the minutes of January 9, 2020 were approved as drafted.

Articles for Town Meeting

Market Affordable Housing Committee – Draft amendments addressing accessory apartments and duplexes were discussed with members of the Housing Committee including Mary Greendale and Bryan Clancy. Ms. Greendale reiterated the Housing Committee’s purpose.

After some discussion, Mrs. Langton made a motion to send several articles to the Selectmen for the annual Town Meeting Warrant. Mr. Santoro seconded with all in favor for the following:

- Repeal of Section VIII – Temporary Moratorium on Recreational Marijuana Retailers
- Amend Article XLI – Stormwater Management and Land Disturbance By-Law (General By-Law)

Continued Site Plan Review – CRG Integrated Real Estate Solutions, 555 Hopping Brook Road
Peter Bemis of Engineering Design Consultants, Inc., was present to discuss the Site Plan Review application along with Kirk Brauer of CRG Integrated Real Estate Solutions and Michael Milanoski of Old Colony Development. Correspondence received from the Economic Development Committee (dated January 9, 2020), Peter Bemis & Walter Lewinski, PE, Engineering Design Consultants, Inc. (dated January 20, 2020) and David Faist, P.E., CMG Environmental, Inc. (dated January 28, 2020) were entered into the record. Mr. Bemis stated that he was in the process of responding to the stormwater peer review completed by CMG Environmental and would anticipate having a written response and plan revisions completed before the next meeting. Further presentation of the stormwater and land disturbance issue will be contemplated on February 13th. He also indicated that the Board of Health had received a filing for the Soil Absorption System.

Mr. Bemis also presented the Technical Memorandum (in lieu of a Traffic Impact Report) dated January 20, 2020 in some detail, noting the current p.m. peak issues with solar glare and excessive queuing. He stated that lane channelization for all size vehicles would be planned in all directions in addition to a traffic signal. He added that this facility is oriented entirely to large vehicles, that is, WB-59 with 53’ trailers.

Tina Hein, Select Board member was present and raised the following issues: Complete Streets Policy applicability, concerns for use of South Street, and interference with the safe operation of the Upper Charles Trail. Establishing a strong community relationship was discussed, especially with regard for the need of a traffic signal at the intersection of Washington Street and Hopping Brook Road. Mr. Bemis indicated that his client had received and reviewed a copy

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of a peer review proposal from MDM Transportation Consultants and had agreed to fund the review. Further discussion of traffic was scheduled for 2/27/20.

Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m. on a motion made and duly seconded. The next meeting was scheduled for February 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Sherman, Town Planner