

MINUTES *Approved*

ACWORTH PLANNING BOARD MEETING: March 25, 2024

PB PRESENT: Mike Aron, Jim Niedert, Steve Murray, Ann Kosa, Frank Emig

PUBLIC PRESENT: Mary Hildreth, Renee Simino, Clayton Platt, Greg Bascom, Chris and Laura Troian

ALTERNATES: Motion AK/JN to appoint FE, passed

OFFICERS: Motion FE/AK to nominate MA as Chair, passed. Motion JN/FE to nominate AK as Vice Chair, passed.

BOS REPRESENTATIVE: Motion AK/JN for KB to continue to scribe and to liaison with BOS, passed.

NEW MEMBER: MA welcomed Steven Murry to the Board.

MINUTES:

1. PB meeting February 26, 2024: Motion JN/MA to approve, passed.

HEARINGS: None

APPLICATIONS AND GUESTS:

1. Sullivan County Deputy Registrar Renee Simino provided recording information on plans and other documents to the Board. RS noted all Sullivan County transfers are available beginning with 1827.
2. Driveway permit application, Chris and Laura Troian, Campbell Road: Due to the recent snow fall members were unable to view site. There was consensus that due to terrain (flat and straight) and lack of traffic (end of Town maintained road), sight lines are sufficient. Motion AK/FE to approve the driveway permit, passed.
3. Class 6 Road building permit application, Chris and Laura Troian, Campbell Road: Motion AK/FE to advise the Selectmen that PB finds no issues with this building permit application.
4. Clayton Platt, Greg Bascom, Preliminary Consultation Minor Subdivision and Annexation, Charlestown Road: CP provided a preliminary plan. The plan shows a new lot created by combining the farm house and barn of the old Roy Farm into one lot crossing the Charlestown Road. Sections of the new lot on either side of the road will have the same map and lot number. Property on both sides of the road have been intrinsically involved historically as comprising the farm. A public hearing will be scheduled for April.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

1. Master Plan update:
 - a. MA will work on a graph for publication in the Newsletter and resend MP section list.
 - b. Neighborhood Planning draft was discussed with questions as to why higher density areas should be limited to existing Village Districts. It was noted the questionnaire supports avoiding higher taxes, however, there is evidence that higher density may raise taxes. Further discussion anticipated.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Letter to Cartographics amended to add specific example. Revisit April.
2. Next meeting: **Tuesday, April 30, 2024. Motion AK/JN To accept new meeting time of 6:30PM, passed.**

MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion AK/SM 8:20PM; Respectfully, Kathi Bradt.

TICKLER: Revisit fee schedule