

ASHLAND PLANNING BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
July 11, 2012

Members Present: Jennifer Ogden, Jeanette Stewart, Bob Boyle, Susan MacLeod

Members Absent: Gordon McCormack Jr. (with notice)

Alternate Members Present: Paul Branscombe, Fran Newton, Tony Randall

Others Present: Dave Toth, Moe Lafreniere, Brian McCarthy

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

A motion to accept the minutes from June 6 as written was made by Jeanette Stewart and seconded by Jennifer Ogden. Approved 4-0

New business: Information only: Brian McCarthy, Executive Director of Pemi Valley Habitat for Humanity presented preliminary plans, which were drawn up by Tom Samyn and will add 3888 sq ft of space. The property is owned by Alex Ray and leased to Pemi Valley Habitat for Humanity to sell donated items such as lumber, cabinets, appliances, etc. Footprint for project will be about 10% of the land, which is zoned as industrial/commercial. The site currently contains 5 storage trailers, which will be removed once construction is completed. There is no more room to display things and they have outgrown the current space. Funding options are being sought and when available, they will return to the Planning Board with a site plan.

Old Business: An application for home occupation for a renewable energy business by Jess Reese was presented. The office is approximately 144 sq ft and the business will consist of computer conferencing, meetings with clients, and phone calls. Jennifer Ogden moved that the plans be approved and was seconded by Jeanette Stewart. Discussion included an agreement that should he decide to expand his business into a new structure, he must reappear before the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals. The motion was approved 4-0.

S. MacLeod discussed the letter which was sent to Craig Willey (tenant) Andrew Lane (owner) regarding the martial arts business, which has not been presented nor approved by Planning Board. The Board is still awaiting a response to this letter.

Other Business: The board was forwarded a note sent to Patsy Tucker from Buskey Auto regarding their request to add a supplemental plate and a license to resell cars for customers. Given that the applicant complies with local ordinances and signage requirements, the consensus of the Board was to grant the request, which was then signed by Chairman MacLeod.

Carol Foss NH, Audubon, Dave Jeffers, Lakes Regional Planning commission would like to present information about conducting a natural resources inventory for Ashland. They will be asked to attend the work session on August 22 to discuss project. Members of the Ashland Conservation Commission will be asked to attend.

S. MacLeod mentioned that she, F. Newton and, J. Ogden did a site walk on Tuesday, July 10 with Barry Gaw to look at the new Squam River Landing residential project. Those present were impressed with the work done thus far. Barry Gaw informed the group that he will be receiving financing to build the infrastructure for the project.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Minutes taken by Fran Newton