

MADISON PLANNING BOARD

Minutes

January 7, 2015

Public Hearing & Regular Meeting

Members Present: Mike Brooks, Noreen Downs, Brian Fowler, Marc Ohlson-Chair, Andrew Smith, and Phil LaRoche

Others Present: Cathie Gregg, Aimy Mahoney, Chris Young- Recording Secretary
Meeting Agenda Posted: 12/24/14 at Madison Town Hall, Madison Post Office, and Silver Lake Post Office and posted in Conway Daily Sun 12/26/14

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. Ohlson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. **APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES:** Mr. LaRoche was approved to be a voting member of the board and join the others at the table.
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Fowler to approve the agenda of the 01/07/15 regular meeting as presented. Motion passed.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Mr. Ohlson pointed out that his name was misspelled in item 6C. Mrs. Downs noticed an unnecessary “had” towards the end of the 2nd line of the 2nd paragraph of page two. Mr. Fowler moved, seconded by Mr. LaRoche, to accept the minutes of the 12/3/14 meeting as amended. Motion passed.
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Cathie Gregg approached the board with a question regarding the Elaine Conners Center for Wildlife. She wondered if the center would be allowed to let visiting speakers and interns sleep on the couch in the back rooms. They discussed the question and agreed that it was in keeping with the mission of the center and did not see that it would be a problem.
- 6A. **REVIEW OF NEW APPLICATIONS:** Mr. Ohlson introduced the new Site Plan Review application from the Laura Foundation and asked Mr. Young to inform the board on what was known about it. Mr. Young informed the board that the Laura Foundation had previously been approved for this barn but nothing had ever been built. The intent was to now proceed and build a barn, but they required a site plan review as the building was longer than what had originally been proposed. Notices had been posted on December 24 in the Town Hall, Madison Post Office, and the Silver Lake Post Office. Abutter Notices had also been sent on December 24 and a Notice was published in the Conway Daily Sun on December 26. All the fees had been paid as well.

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Fowler, that the application was complete. The motion passed.

Mrs. Mahoney came forward and explained that the original design was inadequate as the program design had expanded and needed more space. No barn had been built at this point and the Laura Foundation had redesigned the barn to include the needed space. The

barn would now be 30' longer than the original proposal. The public was invited to comment, but there was none.

The planning board looked at the plans for the building and discussed its placement. Mrs. Downs suggested that as this was a simple case and it was a non-profit organization, the town return the \$200 fee for the Site Plan Review. A motion was made to approve the building as submitted with some conditions, but was withdrawn after the conditions were deemed to cumbersome to follow up on. Mr. Brooks moved, seconded by Mr. LaRoche, to approve the building with the condition that an updated site plan was submitted. The motion passed. Mr. Brooks moved, seconded by Mr. Fowler, to return the \$200 application fee. The motion passed.

6B. REVIEW OF CONTINUED APPLICATIONS: none

6C. REGULATIONS PUBLIC HEARING: none

7. OLD BUSINESS: None

8. NEW BUSINESS: Mrs. Downs reported that she and Ray O'Brien had made a suggestion to the Advisory Budget Committee that the town create a committee to look into a alternative fuel central heating system for the School, Library, Town Hall, Fire Station, Highway Garage and Maintenance Garage as well as solar panels to cut the towns energy costs. It could also serve to provide information to the public. The committee had suggested she create a warrant article to create a committee similar to the fire truck committee.

9. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: None

10. SELECTMEN'S REPORT: Mr. Brooks reported that there was a fall in the number of building permits for the last year.

11. CORRESPONDENCE: Two workshops for planning board members had come to the Town. Mr. Young passed the flyers around to the members.

12. ADMINISTRATION: Mr. Young announced his printer that was breaking down had been replaced.

It was time to give some money from the planning board account to the town as the balance was around \$1,100. Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mrs. Downs, to transfer \$400 to the Town.

The fee for notice in the paper for this hearing needed to be paid as well.

13. ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Fowler moved, seconded by Mrs. Downs, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

The next Public Hearings & Regular Meeting is February 4, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Young
Land Use Boards Administrative Assistant
Minutes Approved: February 4, 2015

Corrections:

Item 5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**, 3rd line, "**The discussed the...**" to "**They discussed the...**"

Item 6A. **REVIEW OF NEW APPLICATIONS**, Mr. Ohlson was misspelled.

Item 8. **NEW BUSINESS**, lines 3 & 4, "**...heating system for the School, Library, Town Hall, Fire Station, Garage and Library as well as...**" to "**...heating system for the School, Library, Town Hall, Fire Station, Highway Garage and Maintenance Garage as well as...**"

Item 11. **CORRESPONDENCE**, "**Two workshops planning board members...**" to "**Two workshops for planning board members...**"

Item 12. **ADMINISTRATION**, "**Mr. Young announced that his printer that was...**" to "**Mr. Young announced his printer that was...**"