

Town of Washington

Planning Board Summary

January 11, 2022

Attendance: Steve Ocean (Chair), Seth Anderson, Corey Fortin (CEO), Erick Anderson, Sarah Collins

Zoom Attendance: Kate Grinnell (VC/S)

Absent: Ezra Casas (Alt.)

Public Attendees: Ron Jackson

Meeting started at 7:00 p.m.

Ron Jackson Garage Pre-Application:

Steve Ocean informs the Board that the ordinance that required Mr. Jackson to come before Planning Board has been changed. The Jackson garage had burnt prior to the change and the replacement has a smaller footprint so this meeting is a formality of the old ordinance.

Erick Anderson asked if the Board would be able to waive the project retroactively as it is the reason the ordinance change was requested.

Ron Jackson explained to the Board the new replacement garage is smaller than his first one and the interior placement of plumbing will not change.

In the event the matter cannot be waived Corey Fortin (CEO) recommends that Mr. Jackson have his site plan prepared and ensure that all requirements have been met. Kate Grinnell suggested to expedite the process only answer the questions that have changed from the previous permit/application. Steve Ocean asked Corey Fortin if plumbing inspection was needed, and due to no change in placement, it is not.

Steve Ocean will do follow up on the matter with the MMA or town attorney to find the best way to proceed as the situation is unique.

The meeting on February 8th will start with a site visit at 6:30, and if the matter cannot be waived the March meeting will be the public hearing and Findings conclusion.

Old Business:

The Daggett matter has been referred to the Board of Appeals. Corey Fortin is working with Coleman Clark on the shoreland zoning. The DEP permit that had been issued did not have authority over the zoning.

Corey Fortin is working on updating the towns ordinances to comply with the state's stricter standards.

Erick Anderson motions to approve the December summary as written, Sarah Collins 2nd, all in favor.

December summary is approved.

New Business:

Ezra Casas has expressed an intention to resign. A new alternate member is ready to join the Board.

CEO report:

No new permits have been issued. There is potentially a minor subdivision in the works on Rt. 17.

Camos Smoke Shack has requested to turn a cottage on the property into a kitchen. The buildings at 431 West Washington road do have permits (Thin Blue Line Meats).

Maine Audio Visual has not completed the application but has been switched to a commercial enterprise. Steve Ocean asked if that changes the detail needed in the site plan, and is there a time limit on the time given to complete the application process? Erick Anderson located the time limit of 45 days after site visit which the project has already exceeded. The Selectmen had given the first written notice of violation to the business which was how the matter came to the Planning Board. Steve Ocean will research the best way to go forward with the matter.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Hassanein

