Town of Paxton Planning Board



Approved 10/17/22

Regular Meeting and Public Hearing

Monday, Sept. 19, 2022, at 7:00pm held at the John Bauer Senior Center, 17 West St, Paxton, MA

## ATTENDANCE:

MEMBER	PRESENT (X)	ABSENT (X)
Neil Bagdis	×	
Henry B. Stidsen, Jr.	×	
Robert Jacobson	x	
Jeffrey Kent	Х	
Robert Pelczarski	X	

Other Attendees: Lisa Reece, John Reece (JR), Kim Ames (KA), Robert Clark (RC), Robert Dumont

(NB) called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

## **Meeting Minutes**

Motion (RJ) seconded (HS) to accept the minutes as written of June 13, 2022, vote 4-0, all in favor.

**Approval Not Required** 

227 Pleasant St & 5 Cutler Rd, to transfer part of 227 Pleasant St to 5 Cutler Rd, owners Robert Dumont and John and Lisa Reece, respectively. The board agreed the plan was acceptable but with one edit needed, to add an "R" factor for Parcel A and the Reece lot. The board will sign once the revised plan is received.

Motion (RJ) seconded (RP), to approve the ANR plan for 227 Pleasant St and 5 Cutler Rd with the requested revision, vote 5-0, all in favor.

## **Temporary Accessory Use Apartment**

34 Holden St, renewal, owner Robert Tracy, completed application and fee received, no changes noted.

Motion (RP) seconded (HS) to approve the TAUA renewal for 34 Holden Rd, vote 5-0, all in favor.

168 Suomi St, renewal, owners Brian and Marybeth Gallivan, completed appl. and fee received, no changes noted.

Motion (JK) seconded (RP) to approve the TAUA renewal for 168 Suomi St, vote 5-0, all in favor.

## **New Business**

Olivia Knoll Subdivision, (RC) stated that the former Light Dept. Manager didn't want as many trees as the plan states, so they installed one more streetlight instead. He also stated that he had received a letter from the PLD recently. A copy was not received by the board. (NB) The approved plan calls for two streetlights. In speaking with the PLD beforehand, they would like the lights to be standardized to other streetlights in town. (KA) stated they can plant Silver Linden and Sweet Gum trees. (RJ) We are bound to what the plan states on the type of trees. (RC) We will find the ones on the plan. Regarding the bond held for the remaining work, it runs out at the end of October. (RC) If necessary, we can put up cash for anything still remaining. The board was agreeable to that. (NB) We need documentation to support what has been done and what may be remaining. (JK) The landfill area has not been mowed in a very long time. (RC) Stated that it had definitely been mowed. (RJ) We need written proof of the mowing. Voices were raised by some board members and Mr. Clark that either was incorrect. Mr. Clark left the meeting.

Discussion continued of the board, Town Counsel has been contacted prior to the meeting, if a public hearing is necessary to amend the types of trees on the approved plan. An answer has not been received yet. They would also accept a check from Mr. Clark for an amount set by the board for any remaining work.

Motion (RJ) seconded (RP) to accept cash/check for the remaining amount of work rather than a bond renewal, vote 4-0, all in favor.

A letter was received regarding the filing fee for the Storm Water Permit from Anna Maria College. It was asked that the fee be reduced to \$3,050.00 for the area in the scope of work rather than the whole parcel. The board asked for a description of the scope of work to be performed.

(NB) To update the board on the MBTA Communities Bylaw, the state has changed Paxton's designation as an "adjacent small town". There is a minimum land area of 50 acres and a cap of 25% of the housing stock.

Motion (RP) seconded (HS) to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm, vote 5-0, all in favor.

The next meeting, if needed, will be on Monday, Oct. 17, 2022. \*\*documents referenced located on file in the TSC office

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl Lombardi

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