

PLANNING BOARD MEETING
JUNE 3, 2015

PRESENT: Ed Dekker, Chairman, Woody Meiszner, Paul Termin, Tim Jones, Bert Hamill, Liz Freeman, Ned Nichols arrived at 8:30 p.m., Louise DelPapa, Joanne Meshna

The meeting was called to order at 7:30. Woody made the motion to approve the minutes of May 21, 2015. Bert seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Ed decided to hold the discussion on the Road Bonds and Noise Ordinance until Liz arrived.

Woody discussed the Selectmens meeting and the opposition to the pipeline. A large number of people attended this meeting. The Selectmen agreed to oppose the pipeline and join the coalition. Woody stated the Master Plan was a supporting factor for their decision. He also mentioned a major concern for the compressor station was the emissions and noise along with lack of emergency team. Woody mentioned that an amount of 2000.00 was collected at the meeting by passing the hat. The money will be presented to the coalition.

Liz arrived during Woody's discussion.

Bert wanted to bring up the issue of gravel trucks on Saturday morning before the regular business began. Ed stated the trucks can travel on Saturday morning. The Michauds of Appleton Rd. wanted to know if they could change the start time from 5:30 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. for the operation of the trucks. Ed mentioned that the agreed time was 5:30 a.m. and the Michauds did not have an objection to that time. They requested the time be changed to 6:00 a.m. Liz stated the Board could reconsider changing the time to 7:00 a.m. and suggested the Michauds be invited back to discuss the time change.

Ed questioned Liz on the results of her telephone call regarding road bonding. Liz stated there are different things you can do on road bonding. You can make completion of the road and utilities a condition of approval, in which case the Mylar is not filed and the lots cannot be sold until the road is complete, or accept a security and lots can be sold. If the road is not completed in 3 years, the bond can be called and used to complete the road. Liz stated if the Board is insistent on something in between that, it will require further discussion. Liz stated an owner can do anything he wants on his land, subject to DES restrictions. Bert questioned, if DES notifies the town of any problems, permits or stop work order. Rzepa was used as an example. Ed brought up the point that the board needs to speak to Jim Coffey regarding notification from DES on issues/problems and change this on the State level.

The regulations are three years for completion and a top coat/bond should be in place. The signed Mylar must be issued for an approved subdivision and houses can be built. Paul mentioned a restoration bond. Liz suggested a legal opinion on this. Ed will call the lawyer.

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Ed will make the necessary changes and will send a clean copy to the Board members in the next few days.

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Land Clerk

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