

PLANNING BOARD - TOWN OF MACHIAS

OCTOBER 5, 2016

This meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman William Thompson. In attendance were Board members Edward Pellon, Joe Gurney, and Arthur McCurdy; Secretary Cathy Lord; Bob Berta, Russell Wood.

1. MINUTES - REVIEW AND ACTION

On a motion by Arthur McCurdy, seconded by Ed Pellon, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2016 Board meeting.

2. BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATIONS - REVIEW AND ACTION

A. The Board reviewed a building permit application submitted by Russell Wood for the location of a utility shed for storage to a lot located at 41 Rusty Trail.

On a motion by Arthur McCurdy, seconded by Joe Gurney, the Board

VOTED:

To approve a building permit application submitted by Russell Wood for the location of a utility shed for storage on a lot located at 41 Rusty Trail.

B. The Board reviewed a building permit application submitted by Rebecca Kendall for the construction of a garage on a lot located at 12 Forest Avenue. The Board reviewed the site plan included with the application; Mr. Thompson noted that the information provided on the setbacks of the garage on the site plan are inadequate. The other members of the Board agreed that there needs to be clarification on the building plan as to the setbacks. Mr. Thompson suggested approving the application with the condition that the applicant provide the necessary information before the permit is issued to the applicant. Mr. Thompson advised the other members of the Board that he would contact the applicant and ask her to supply the required information on the site plan she submitted with her application before issuing the approved permit. The other members of the Board agreed to issue the permit as long as the applicant provides the necessary information on the setbacks.

On a motion by Ed Pellon, seconded by Arthur McCurdy, the Board

VOTED:

To approve and issue this building permit application at such time as the applicant provides the necessary information on the setbacks on the site plan as required by the Machias building ordinance.

3. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Ruth Moore introduced herself to the Board. She advised the Board that she represents the non-profit organization Infernity which is planning to establish a homeless

veteran's shelter/veteran's center at an existing building located at 12 School Street. Ms. Moore advised the Board that she plans to submit a change of use building permit for 12 School Street before the submission deadline for the Board's November meeting. She told the Board that she has been working with the town's code enforcement officer on the project and she noted that she will be closing on the purchase of the building located at 12 School Street on 10/28/16.

B. Neighbors representing Frank & Carole Porcher advised the Board that they are in attendance for the discussion of Mr. & Mrs. Porcher's building application for construction of a home with a two car attached garage on Holway Point. Mr. Thompson explained that the Porcher application was submitted after the fifteenth of the prior month which was the cut-off date for applications to be placed on the Board's October agenda. The members of the Board quickly looked at the submitted application. Members of the Board recommended that Mr. & Mrs. Porcher check with the CEO on shoreline zoning on their property. Mr. Thompson noted that the Board cannot act on the application; he explained that the Porchers can begin the groundwork for the construction without the Board's permission but cannot proceed with construction until the permit has been approved. Mr. Thompson noted that the Board will be acting on this permit at their November meeting.

On a motion by Arthur McCurdy, seconded by David Barker, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 PM.