

Knowlton Township Planning Board

Minutes

Tuesday, July 24, 2018

There was a regular meeting of the Knowlton Township Planning Board on Tuesday, July 24, 2018. Chairman Clayton Taylor led the Board in the flag salute at 7:32 p.m. He announced that adequate notice of the meeting has been provided in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" by publishing notice of all regularly scheduled meetings in the Star Gazette and Express Times, as well as providing said schedule in the Municipal Clerk's Office. A moment of silence was held for our Military Personnel in harm's way. Attorney Proll announced that Attorney Thayer has left their firm and he will be filling in as the Board Attorney.

Roll call:

Present: Taylor, Glynn, Drake, Cuntala, Starrs, Prosser, Murray, Smith, and Tironi

Absent: Costantino and Bromm

Also Present: Proll and Rodman

Approval of Minutes:

Ms. Cuntala made the motion to adopt the minutes of June 26, 2018. Motion seconded by Mr. Drake. Roll call vote: Glynn-Yes, Drake-Yes, Tironi-Yes, Cuntala-Yes, Starrs-Abstain, Murray-Abstain, Prosser-Abstain, Smith-Abstain, and Taylor-Yes.

New Business:

#01-18 Gary Osmun, Block 68, Lots 27.01 and 27.02

Board Attorney Rodman noted that his review letter has the wrong year printed on it. Thomas Knutelsky and Gary Osmun were sworn in and Mr. Knutelsky reviewed the history of the property and the surveying error that was done by his firm, years ago. He stated that they came back to the Board, in 2014, to correct the error; however, the lot line adjustment deeds were never perfected. He displayed a copy of the plan. He then went on to address the area of questionable title and he provided a copy of the deed, which demonstrates that Mr. Osmun has obtained title to that property. Mr. Knutelsky reviewed Board Engineer Rodman's June 19, 2018 report. He reviewed the new lot dimensions. Mr. Osmun described the history of the property and Attorney Proll reviewed the 2008 Judgment. Mr. Knutelsky also addressed the stream and the disturbance limitations. Chairman Taylor reviewed the conditions of an approval.

No public were present.

Mr. Glynn made the motion to grant the application, as discussed and agreed upon this evening. Motion seconded by Ms. Cuntala. Roll call vote: Glynn-Yes, Drake-Yes, Tironi-Yes, Cuntala-Yes, Starrs-Yes, Murray-Yes, Prosser-Yes, Smith-Yes, and Taylor-Yes.

Other:

Mayor Starrs stated that she believes that the Board will have to adopt the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan at the September meeting. Ms. Murray asked about the Master Plan. Chairman Taylor stated that the Board has not taken any action on the matter; however, he knows that the Historic Commission was interested in submitting something. The Board discussed the various elements of the Master Plan.

Ms. Murray asked if the Board wished to consider subcommittees to review the Plan. Chairman Taylor said that the Board can consider subcommittees when the time comes. The Board noted that the last reexamination report was done in 2009 and it is was distributed and it is also posted on the Township Website. The Board continued to review the matter, the procedure, and the correlation between the Master Plan and the Township Ordinances. Ms. Murray questioned the Environmental Commission Liaison appointment and the term of the appointment.

Public Comment:

No public present.

Payment of Vouchers:

Mr. Tironi made the motion to approve the vouchers. Motion seconded by Mr. Drake. Roll Call Vote: Glynn-Yes, Drake-Yes, Tironi-Yes, Cuntala-Yes, Starrs-Yes, Murray-Abstain, Prosser-Yes, Smith-Yes, and Taylor-Yes.

Adjournment:

In a motion made and seconded the meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m. Voice Vote: Glynn-Yes, Drake-Yes, Tironi-Yes, Cuntala-Yes, Starrs-Yes, Murray-Yes, Prosser-Yes, Smith-Yes, and Taylor-Yes.

Respectfully Submitted:

Alfia Schemm
Board Secretary
8/23/18