Planning Board Meeting Minutes from 1/15/15

Present: Steve Ferguson, Mike Kane, Gisela Walker, Robert Malone

Absent: Tom Cashin, Dan Girard

7:01 PM – Call to order SF, 2nd by MK

7:02 PM - Carlene Millett expressed interest in volunteering to serve on the planning board.

SF moved that Carlene be recommended to the Board of Selectmen for acceptance to serve on the Planning Board. 2nd by MK

If accepted by the Board of Selectmen, Carlene would serve on the Planning Board (following being sworn in) until new elections are held.

7:11 PM - This was unanimously accepted by all members present in floor vote.

7:17 PM – The special permit hearing concerning the addition of a maintenance building at Berkshire East was opened by SF.

There was no super majority present for this hearing so the hearing has been continued to Thursday, February 5th, 2015 at 7:15PM.

No abutters were present for the hearing. MK (though present) recused himself as he is an abutter to Berkshire East.

7:19 PM - Moved by SF, 2nd by GW

7:45 PM – The hearing scheduled for Charles Ricko, Site Plan Review for expansion of sign and hours was opened by SF.

Mr. Ricko explained his request for a larger sign and request for extended business hours to the board and two other attendees' to the public hearing. (A sign in sheet for those who attended is on file)

Business hours would be from 6am to 9pm seven days per week. Reason was to serve the customers who require access to the business during those hours due to the nature of the business.

The new sign although larger that approved previously was still within the frame of the previous sign at this business location.

SF moved that the request for modification be accepted, 2nd by MK

8:09 PM - This was unanimously accepted by all members present in floor vote.

8:10 PM - SF moved that the budget for the Planning Board be Level Funded (Budget at \$1,200)

This was unanimously accepted by all members present in floor vote.

8:11 PM – SF moved to close the meeting

This was unanimously accepted by all members present in floor vote.

Closing Note: There were no previous meeting minutes to approve.