

Planning Board Meeting Minutes from 2/5/15

Present: Steve Ferguson, Michael Kane, Gisela Walker, Robert Malone, Daniel Girard, Charlene Millett

Absent: None

7:01 PM – Call to order SF

Approval of meeting minutes from the PBM 1/15/15

Introduction of new Town Administrator, Peg Dean.

7:15 PM – Opened hearing for special permit which was continued from previous meeting “Berkshire East Maintenance Building”.

Special Permit read to board by SF.

No abutters were present but a letter from an abutter was received and read to the board by SF.

Jon Schaeffer (Berkshire East) reviewed the plan with board in great detail.

Following discussion there were additional clarifications made to the special permit application.

- a) The building size would be 48x72x29 tall.
- b) The tree belt between the building and abutter would be maintained in a healthy vegetative state offering natural screening.
- c) All exterior lighting would be downcast to minimize impact of lighting.

SF reviewed and Board responded to SP criteria review.

7:45 PM – Move to approve this SP by SF and 2nd by RM/ Motion passed by Board without dissent.

DG & MK abstained

7:45 PM- SF move to close the hearing

2nd by GW

Unanimously accepted by all members present in floor vote.

7:52 PM – Charlene Millett was sworn in to a seat on the PB by the BOS on 1/19/15. During this meeting the Select Board reminded CM that her duties as the secretary to the board would not allow her to field any questions posed to the board without referring all issues to the board. The point was that there would be a clear delineation of roles between the secretary position and the volunteer board assignment.

7:53 PM to 9:01 PM – The PB discussed the following issues that were included in the agenda

- 1) Ricko parking plan
- 2) Technical assistance
- 3) Zoning by-laws
- 4) Site Plan review
- 5) Hathaway/Christoph road discussion.

Next meeting scheduled for 2/19/15 at 7:00PM

9:02 PM – Motion to adjourn by SF/ 2nd by MK