

Hopkinton Planning Board
Minutes
June 9, 2009

Chairman Bruce Ellsworth opened the Hopkinton Planning Board meeting of Tuesday, June 9, 2009, beginning at 7:05 PM in the Hopkinton Town Hall. Members present: Timothy Britain, Celeste Hemingson, Edwin Taylor, Jane Bradstreet, Clarke Kidder and Cettie Connolly. Members absent: Bethann McCarthy, Michael Wilkey and James O'Brien.

I. Minutes and Notices of Decisions of May 12, 2009.

Motion made by Mrs. Hemingson, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the Minutes of May 12, 2009, as amended. Motion carried unanimously. *Note: Page one, paragraph one, corrected to reflect that Chairman Bruce Ellsworth was not absent. Page two, paragraph one, corrected the spelling of the word, "climate".*

II. Conceptual Consultations, if any.

There were no conceptals presented.

III. Application(s).

#2009-6 Arthur & Carol Olkonen and Corney Carter – Arthur and Carol Olkonen addressed the Planning Board to present plans of a proposed subdivision for annexation purposes involving properties located at 775 Upper Straw Road (264/41) and 811 Upper Straw Road (265/15) in the R-4 district.

Mr. and Mrs. Olkonen informed the Board that Lot 41, located at 775 Upper Straw Road, is currently owned by Carol Olkonen and Lot 15, located at 811 Upper Straw Road, is currently owned by Arthur Olkonen and Corney Carter. The proposal is to reduce the size of Lot 15 from 8.83 acres to 3.02 acres by annexing 5.78 acres to the abutting lot, known as Lot 41. Once the additional acreage is annexed to Lot 41, the acreage will increase from 2.96 acres to 8.78 acres.

There was brief discussion concerning the subdivision/annexation with Mrs. Olkonen outlining information as to the ownership of the lots and their intentions for subdivision.

It was noted that Ms. Corney Carter, who is Mr. Olkonen's sister, had not signed the application or submitted a letter of consent. Mr. Olkonen noted that his sister is in favor of the proposal.

Motion made by Mr. Britain, seconded by Mrs. Hemingson, to accept application #2009-6 as complete and for consideration. Motion carried unanimously (Britain, Hemingson, Taylor, Kidder, Bradstreet, Connolly and Ellsworth).

There was no one present wishing to give public testimony.

Motion made by Mrs. Hemingson, seconded by Mrs. Bradstreet, to approve application #2009-6 subject to the condition that Mr. Olkonen's sister provide a notarized letter of consent. Motion carried unanimously (Britain, Hemingson, Taylor, Kidder, Bradstreet, Connolly and Ellsworth).

IV. Other Business.

- a) Site Plan Review Regulations –The Planning Board post-poned review of the Site Plan Review Regulations. Future date and time to be posted.

V. Adjournment.

Motion made by Mr. Britain, seconded by Mr. Kidder, to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 PM. The next regular scheduled meeting of the Planning Board is Tuesday, July 14, 2009, at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall.

Karen L. Robertson
Planning Director

Upon finding that an application meets the submission requirements, the Planning Board will vote to accept the application as complete and a public hearing on the merits of the proposal will follow immediately. Should a decision not be reached at the public hearing, the application will remain on the Planning Board agenda until such time as it is either approved or disapproved.

The Planning Board reserves the right to adjourn the public hearing at 11:00 PM. All remaining applications that have not been reviewed will be rescheduled for review at the Planning Board's next scheduled public hearing.

In accordance with RSA 677:15, any person(s) aggrieved by any decision of the Board concerning application(s) may present to the Superior Court a petition, duly verified, setting forth that such a decision is illegal or unreasonable in whole or part and specifying the grounds upon which the same is claimed to be illegal or unreasonable. Such petition shall be presented to the court within thirty (30) days after the Board's final decision regarding the application in question has been filed and becomes available for public inspection in the Planning Office.