Chaplin Planning & Zoning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes Chaplin Town Hall April 11, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Doug Dubitsky, Vice-Chair Ken Fortier (online), Pete Fiasconaro (online), Helen Weingart, Alternate Bob Dubos.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Randy Godaire, Dave Garceau, Eric Beer, Alternate Peter Haines, Alternate Bill Ireland.

ALTERNATES SEATED: Bob Dubos seated for Randy Godaire.

ALSO PRESENT: Zoning Enforcement Officer (ZEO) Jay Gigliotti and Recording Clerk Kathleen Scott.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES 03.14.24 REGULAR MEETING:

Motion to approve by B. Dubos with the following corrections: Citizens Having New Business should read — Robert Maclure with his mother Joan Maclure of 80 Marcy Road expressed concerns about being assessed penalties for the condition of their yard because they claimed they were doing business as Paul's Welding & Salvage since 1955. They presented recent receipts showing that name from Airgas. Comment regarding runoff from state property should read — (Doug will contact them about resolving the water problem). Question from D. Dubitsky regarding anything that establishes the business should read — (they say they are not required to save paperwork after 5 years). Comment from D. Dubitsky regarding stay of fines should read — D. Dubitsky suggested the Commission may want to put a stay on the fines for a couple months to allow getting the property cleaned up (within the Commissions purview).

The motion was seconded by H. Weingart and carried with abstention H. Weingart.

CITIZENS HAVING NEW BUSINESS:

Joan Maclure (with Arthur Maclure) of 80 Marcy Road offered photos of progress made on cleanup of the property including removal of a crane, pickup truck, dump truck, school bus, flatbed truck, and boat (presented receipts to the ZEO). The ZEO presented pictures provided by the applicant along with pictures he took on Tuesday - great progress with more work to go. D. Dubitsky noticed quite a bit of work done and a dumpster on site while driving by the property recently. The Commission will consider maintaining the stay of enforcement as long as cleanup continues. Arthur Maclure asked about working with the state on the water problem (Doug asked to get pictures to the ZEO and will be in touch). Catch basins were delivered to the property recently (Helen suggested checking with Dave Stone at Public Works for more information).

Motion to add to agenda as Old Business A - Executive Session with Attorney Dennis O'Brien and invite the ZEO, by B. Dubos, seconded by P. Fiasconaro. All in favor, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Executive Session with Attorney Dennis O'Brien:
 - Motion to pause the meeting and enter into Executive Session (7:30 PM) for the purpose of discussing legal matters and invite the ZEO, by B. Dubos, seconded by H. Weingart. All in favor, motion carried.
 - Motion to come out of Executive Session and restart the meeting (8:05 PM), by B. Dubos, seconded by H. Weingart. All in favor, motion carried.
- **B.** 80 Marcy Road: Property owners spoke under Citizens Having New Business (satisfied with their progress).

NEW BUSINESS:

A. CT DEEP Correspondence RE: Sec. 8.11:

Letter received last month from DEEP regarding violation of state statute for regulating forest practices. Drafted proposed amendment to section 8.11 that includes logging with all other temporary commercial and/or industrial operations (performance bond applies equally to all such operations).

- Motion to approve revision to Section 8.11 to go to Public Hearing, by P. Fiasconaro, seconded by H.
 Weingart. All in favor, motion carried.
- Motion to set Public Hearing for July 11, 2024 on revision to Section 8.11, by B. Dubos, seconded by H.
 Weingart. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORT OF THE ZONING OFFICER:

ZEO J. Gigliotti presented monthly report that is available at the Town Hall. Items requiring direction or action are as follows:

1 Zoning Compliance issued (new SFR on South Bear Hill Road); 1 Zoning Permit issued (shed on Parish Hill Road).

Heard complaints regarding tires being dumped along the side of Route 198 (Trooper notified). D. Dubitsky
reported legislature working on statute that makes the manufacture responsible for collection and recycling
with increase to disposal fee expected.

ITEMS PRO RE NATA: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn (9:00 PM) by B. Dubos, seconded by H. Weingart. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by, Recording Clerk Kathleen Scott