

Town of Greenfield
Planning Board
Preliminary Meeting Minutes
Recorded by Michelle Hall
May 23, 2022

Members Attending: Rob Walling, George Rainier, Iris Waitt, Catrina Mamczak, Mason Parker, Dave Thimmel, Tim Schloemer

Alternates Attending: Bow Smith, Nick Zotto

6:32 pm RWalling called the meeting to order and went over tonight's agenda.

CMamczak read previous meeting minutes. Amendments are as follows.

Line # 24 change 'This was approved' to 'The curb cut was approved'

Line # 29 change to 'for baseball going well' to 'baseball was going well'

GRainier motioned to accept minutes as amended. Seconded by RWalling. Motion passed 7-0-0.

6:36 pm Mail

- Received Notarized Notice of Voluntary Merger for Legacy by Gersh Holdings, LLC

6:37 pm Reports from other Boards/Committees

GRainier explained that the ZBA will be having a re-hearing July 6th at 7 pm, for the Gersh/Crotched Mountain lot in the near future as there has been an appeal filed from their recent approval.

MParker stated that the select board approved the purchase of a new Dodge Charger for the police department, purchased mostly from capitol reserve funds. They will keep the Ford Explorer as a spare vehicle for court runs. He went on to say that Slip Rd and Old Bennington Rd were recently chip sealed, which should prevent the need for pavement for roughly seven more years.

DThimmel explained that the first Farmer's Market went very well with great vendor and public turnouts.

Nick Zotto expressed his interest in becoming an alternate for the planning board. **RWalling nominated NZotto** as an alternate. **DThimmel motioned to accept. Seconded by CMamczak. Motion passed 7-0-0.** **NZotto** was able to be sworn in tonight.

7:00 pm PCC – Emergency Management Team; LED Sign Policy

RWalling opened the floor for Dave Martin, Emergency Management Response Team (EMRT) Director, to explain their proposed LED Sign Policy. Dave Martin; Karen Day; Diane Boilard; additional members of the (EMRT); fire department personnel; Liz from NH Homeland Security; Casey from Souza Signage; Ed Kenny from WatchFire were all present to answer questions. Together the group explained that the proposed sign will be 3'x5', in a fixed location and replacing the Smokey the Bear sign. The proposed sign would be used for Emergency Management notifications, as well as, for notifications related to the town and fire department. There would be designated personnel able to change the sign at the fire station or remotely. The message will change as needed and will not be flashing, the brightness can be turned down if necessary as the intent is to be informative and not intrusive. The sign would be purchased through a grant and would not cost the town any money, they have an electrician who will donate his service and the DPW will re-compact the ground and pave the driveway. The EMRT and the

46 Fire Department did look into apps which have a buy in fee and require annual subscriptions. However,
47 they do still recommend that residents sign up for Code Red and read The Spirit. Ed explained that every
48 town's ordinances are a little different, his company has helped town's write a sign ordinance, as the
49 LED signage have become very popular. He is willing to send the planning board some examples. The
50 EMRT is willing to send out a Survey Monkey or town wide mailer. They are also willing to collect
51 signatures and feedback through sessions at the fire station.

52 The planning board recommends they have their own public hearings, go before the ZBA and then
53 before the select board. The planning board will let the select board and the EMRT know what they have
54 created for an ordinance edit.

55 The planning board thanked everyone for putting this together and for coming tonight.

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57 **8:35 pm Review Upcoming LLA on Muzzy Hill Rd**

58 The planning board is going to ask for the applicant to go before the ZBA for a variance on the dwelling
59 unit size, then complete an LLA application with the planning board.

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61 **8:55 pm RWalling Motioned to adjourn. Seconded by GRainier. Motion passed 7-0-0.**