APPROVED WITH ADDITION OF AUDIENCE MEMBER'S NAME ON 12 SEPT 2018

Daniel J Burke

Douglas Wilson

Joann M. Brown

Rob W. Reed

Planning Board Minutes for August 8, 2018

Present : Jenn Morse, David Roberson, Prue Berry, Virginia Gabert, Paul MacLatchy, Robin Reed, Jody Brown, and Doug Wilson, scribe, AND JIM DAVIDSON
Missing - Dan Burke

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RWR

The meeting of the Planning Board was called to order at 6:10 inHearing Room #1 in the Town Hall and later moved to the Selectman's office after we finished talking with the Select Board members at 6:50.

Doug did not have the minutes of January 24, 2018 or the May 30, 2018 meetings and said he would bring them to the next meeting.

The next meeting was scheduled for September 12 at 6 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:09.

INCLUDE IN MINUTES OF AUG 8, 2017
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If you were to print 1000 11 x 17 color prints you would be charged $320.00.
One 11x17= four 8.5x11 sheets: 4000 x .08= $320.00

Black and white would be $60.00. 4000 x .015=$60.00

The Goal Post is 3- 11x17 sheets
48,000 sheets per year (8 ½ x 11)

1 MISC RICOH MP-C5503 DIGITAL COPIER EA 1 5895.00 5895.00
RDF, ADU, PRINT/NIC, SCAN, FAX, BOOKLET
FINISHER, 4 PAPER DRAWERS SERIAL#
E183M711538
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Sales Tax
Invoice Total:
5,895.00
5,895.00

I think the cost of printing the Goal Post in house as being cost savings is misleading:

- We will have to replace the copier every 6-7 years due to wear & tear of the machine If you have any doubts about that check out the copier on 2nd floor and its condition Above is the cost of the machine I just bought used

- The cost of my time and involvement: $111.91 for 4 hours work each month
- I also maintain Mailing Lists $1342.95 total time per year devoted to Goal Post

- The mileage to drive the material for mailing – does that offset postage?

- The non-support of our local post office – which we need to support

- My admin line item pays $2600.00 per year for the prints and service contract for the machine (it is based upon copies made – which Goal Post would be the bulk of it.)

There always seems to be some problems with Doug regarding him coming in to print when he says he is going to. For example he came in yesterday at 4pm – I was preparing for the Select Board meeting and he wanted to print. The GP was not on his portable drive. This is how it often goes. Had it not been a Select Board meeting did he expect I would stay and let him print?

I think he admittedly has struggled with the technology and it has been 2 years and it has not improved. It would seem by now there should be few problems.

Annual Report of the Rowe Planning Board for calendar year 2017

Planning Board organization

In the May annual election, Doug Wilson was re-elected to a five-year term. Dan Burke was elected to a one-year term to the seat formerly held by Bob Dykeman, to which he had been appointed following Bob's resignation in 2016. The board then elected David Roberson to serve as chairman and representative to the Franklin Regional Planning Board, and elected Douglas Wilson as secretary (or clerk, or as Doug prefers, scribe). The board voted to reaffirm the duties of the secretary to include acting as editor of the *Goal Post*, under the same conditions and for the same compensation as agreed in the previous year. The Planning Board was advised and represented by Greenfield attorney Donna MacNicol, who is also Town Counsel.

Permitting

The Planning Board held a public hearing on a Special Permit application for short-term rentals by Deborah Katz at 80 Davenport Road. No opposition was submitted at the hearing, and after deliberation the board voted unanimously to approve the permit, with the conditions that the permit ran with the owner, not the property, and that the permit would no longer be valid should the property cease to be the applicant's primary and legal place of residence.

A public hearing was held on a Special Permit application for short-term rentals by Jean-Claude van Itallie at 63 Davenport Road. There was some opposition to the proposal from residents on the road, and during the course of the hearing questions arose concerning the relationship of Mr. van Itallie's property with that of the foundation, Shantigar, of which he is a principal and which hosts various gatherings with overnight guests. These questions were significant enough that the Planning Board sought advice from legal counsel, and ultimately Mr. van Itallie was asked if he would consider withdrawing his application, which he agreed to do.

The board responded to request for information by an agent of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives concerning a change of address for a Federal Firearms License (FFL) held by William Reardon on Cyrus Stage Road. The new address listing on the license was necessitated by a change in Massachusetts regulations for home-based FFLs. The Planning Board determined that this change in itself did not alter the status of Mr. Reardon's business as a customary home occupation under Rowe's bylaws and was thus allowed by right on the property. A memo was sent to this effect.

The Planning Board held a joint public hearing with Tree Warden Lance Larned on a proposal by the Park Commission to remove trees adjacent to the dam at Pelham Lake. No opposition was presented to this plan, and permission was subsequently granted with no conditions.

Another joint public hearing was held with Tree Warden Larned at the request of Municipal Light Plant manager David Dvore for proposed cutting of trees on Davis Mine Road associated

with new broadband internet pole and wire installation. No opposition was noted, and there was strong support for the project expressed by the audience at the hearing. The cutting was approved with some restrictions, including when cutting operations could be conducted and specifying that wood and wood chips resulting from the cutting would be subject to the authority of the Board of Selectmen.

There were no subdivision or Approval Not Required (ANR) requests in 2017.

Planning and Zoning

The board continued its review of Rowe's zoning bylaws, working to create a comprehensive set of clear, legally defensible bylaws to protect Rowe's amenities and preserve and enhance property values and the quality of life of all residents. When complete, the Planning Board's recommendations will be thoroughly discussed at a public hearing prior to being presented to Town Meeting, where they must receive a super-majority of voter support, and finally to the Massachusetts Attorney General for approval. This work continues in 2018.

Respectfully submitted by David Roberson, for the Planning Board,

David Roberson, Chairman

Doug Wilson, Scribe

Jodi Brown

Dan Burke

Robin Reed