

ALEXANDRIA PLANNING BOARD

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MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Merry Ruggirello called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Also present were Members Gary Tomlinson and Janet Towse, Selectmen's Representative Chet Caron, and Alternate Melanie Marzola. A quorum was present.

Alternate Melanie Marzola was asked to sit in for Member Marla Walls.

Minutes

April 18, 2018

Gary made a motion to accept the minutes as written; Chet seconded. Roll call vote: Gary-yes, Chet-yes, Melanie-yes, Merry-yes, Janet-abstain.

NEW BUSINESS

MEMBER HAROLD PLATTS

Gary reported that he spoke with Harold Platts regarding his intentions with the Planning Board. Harold had indicated that he would like to remain a member of the Planning Board. Harold had requested that he receive a phone call prior to the Board meeting as a reminder, as the other Board members receive.

STEVE WHITMAN

Janet informed the Board that she ran into Steve Whitman recently. Steve mentioned to Janet that there are some funds available for consulting regarding zoning should the Town wish to revisit the idea.

GRAVEL PIT REGULATIONS

The Board began to read over the gravel pit regulations. It was decided for the Board to read over the regulations as homework prior to the June 20th Planning Board meeting and mark any areas that are vague, unclear or need revisiting. The topic of the Letter of Credit was brought up and mentioned that this will need to be clarified in the regulations. The Clerk read the email from Mary Pinkham-Langar regarding the Town's regulations and it was mentioned that the word "renewal" should be removed. The Gravel Pit Regulations will be reviewed at the June 20th meeting.

BOYD SMITH'S PRESENTATION AT THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Chet reported on the presentation made by Boyd Smith at the Selectmen's meeting. Chet indicated that Boyd displayed a map and showed aquifers in Town. There are monies available for conservation easements (money which came from the Exxon settlement). Boyd is interested in spreading the word to people who have large parcels of land in the area impacting the aquifers that are willing to consider placing an easement on their land. This effort is mostly regarding the drinking water protection (people's wells). This aquifer even leads to Bristol wells and water. It was mentioned that Jeff Cantera suggested at the Selectmen's meeting closing Bog Road for monetary reasons and because grading the road violates the wetlands. It was added that Boyd will be meeting with the Conservation Commission at their next meeting date. Janet mentioned having some public education. She felt many people in town probably don't realize the amount of space in the Town Common that rests on an important water

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aquifer. Merry suggested Boyd setting up a booth at the Church Fair in August for educational purposes.

There was no other business brought before the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Gary made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm; Janet seconded. The next Planning Board meeting will be held Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at **6:00** pm.

Respectfully submitted, Melanie Marzola, Planning Board Clerk