

PLANNING BOARD

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GREENFIELD PLANNING BOARD Minutes of October 18, 2012

Department of Planning and Development 114 Main Street, Greenfield

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson at 7:02 p.m. with the following members:

PRESENT: Roxann Wedegartner, Chair; Linda Smith, Vice Chair; James Allen; and Clayton Sibley

ABSENT: Mary Newton, Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor William Martin; Eric Twarog, Director of Planning & Development; Council President David Singer; Councilor Patrick Devlin; and Councilor Marian Kelner

Chairs Statement that the meeting was not being recorded and asked if anyone else was recording. No one responded.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: Moved by Sibley, seconded by Allen and voted 3:1:0 (Wedegartner abstained due to absence at that meeting) to approve the meeting minutes with an amendment from September 6, 2012.

Action Items:

a. Revised Proposed Zoning Amendments Relative to Solar Installations

Director Twarog reviewed the revised proposed zoning amendments relative to solar installations with the Board. The Board discussed the proposed Zoning Amendments. Wedegartner expressed concern over the revised language under Amendment #2 Section C(5). She stated that she would like to language to be as was originally proposed to match the language already in the Zoning Ordinance. The Board discussed the issue of limiting the size in terms of acreage for Large-Scale Solar Installations.

MOTION: Moved by Sibley, seconded by Allen and voted 4:0 to use the current revised proposed zoning amendments relative to solar installations initiated by the Town Council for a November 1, 2012 joint public hearing with the EDC at 7:00 p.m. at 114 Main Street.

MOTION: Moved by Allen, seconded by Sibley to go into Executive Session to discuss pending legal matters with the following roll call vote: Wedegartner – yes, Smith – yes, Allen – yes, and Sibley – yes.

MOTION: Moved by Allen, seconded by Sibley to go out of Executive Session with the following roll call vote: Wedegartner – yes, Smith – yes, Allen – yes, and Sibley – yes.

Discussion Items:

a. Master Plan Advisory Committee

Director Twarog informed the Board of the available dates of VHB to hold the first meeting of the Master Plan Advisory Committee which were 10/31, 11/1, 11/5, 11/7, 11/8, or 11/12. The Board came up with their available dates of 11/13, 11/19, or 11/20. The consensus was to hold the first meeting on 11/13. Director Twarog stated that he would check with VHB to see if this date works for them.

Next Meeting was set for 7:00 p.m. on November 1, 2012 at the Department of Planning and Development at 114 Main Street.

Adjournment

MOTION: Moved by Sibley, seconded by Smith, and voted 4:0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eric Twarog, AICP
Director of Planning and Development