

Town of Richmond
Planning Board Public Hearing
September 6, 2022 7:00 PM Veterans Hall

Members Present:

Stacie Maillet (Chairman)
Lloyd Condon (Vice Chairman)
Doug Smith (Secretary)
Kathryn McWhirk
Jed Butterfield
Eric Duda

Members Absent

Doug Bersaw (Selectman's Rep.)

1. Public:

No one from the public.

2. Mail:

Southwest Regional Planning Commission August Highlights.

3. Minutes August 16, 2022:

Motion made by Butterfield to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Vice Condon. Four in favor. One abstention. Motion carries.

4. Update on definition (Attorney reply):

Vote was taken by the Planning Board at their July 12, 2022, meeting to allow Chairman Maillet to go before the Selectmen to request the use of Attorney Boldt. This was for clarification of Article 6, under 604 Special Exception more specifically 604.1 per request of the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Following the new protocol for legal advice a letter was drafted and minutes were put together showing the date the board voted to request permission from the Selectmen. Due to illness Chairman Maillet could not attend and Vice Chairman Condon appeared before the Selectmen at their July 18, 2022, meeting. The Planning Board was granted permission.

The request was sent to Attorney Boldt by Chairman Maillet on July 21, 2022, and a response was received from the Attorney on August 4, 2022. Vice Chairman Condon shared the legal response at the Planning Board's August 16, 2022, meeting and asked for the board to read through the response and be prepared to discuss the information at the next Planning Board meeting.

The Planning Board discussed several avenues that could be taken. From reading the correspondence at this time there should be a definition in Article 17 of the Zoning Ordinances for driveway, access (both vehicular and foot), and clarification of structure.

Ask the question: if there would be a conflict with Flood Management Ordinance on page 45 Definitions under 24. Structure?

Ask the Question: if under Article 6 Wetland Conservation District, under 604 Special Exception more specifically 604.1, first line to add the word driveway to access. Would read access/driveways. Would this be cleaner and clearer once we have definitions in place?

Question to ask under 604 Special Exceptions under 604.1 and 604.2, clean up the broad descriptions for clarity?

Question to clean up all conflicting ordinances under Article 6.

Noted: Under 601 General, end of second paragraph to add: Wetland boundary lines can only be delineated by a NH Certified Wetland Scientist.

Question was asked if it was necessary for the boards to ask to use the town Attorney even if it's follow up to the last request? It was discussed that the boards should not have to ask for each time when follow up work is being done.

With no further discussion.

Motion made by Smith to have Chairman Maillet seek permission to continue the work with the town Attorney under Article 6 of the Richmond Zoning Ordinances. Seconded by Vice Condon.

All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.

Motion made by Butterfield that communication be drafted for Article 6 (see above) and sent to Attorney Boldt for his recommendations upon receiving permission to continue from the Selectmen. Seconded by Vice Condon.

All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.

Chairman Maillet will attend the Selectman's meeting of September 12, 2022 if all paperwork is completed.

5. Other:

1. NHMA Land Use Fall Conferences:

Discussion on the upcoming NHMA Conference: October 13, 2022, offering Right-to-know hybrid Workshop on Meetings and Records. This conference is in person or virtual. Cost for in person is \$65.00 or virtual is \$55.00.

Second NHMA Conference: October 15, 2022, offering Municipal Land Use Law. This is only offered virtual. Cost is \$70.00.

Information will be sent to all the members and if anyone is planning to attend, please let the Land Use Assistant know so that a check can be cut and sent.

Motion made by Vice Condon to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Butterfield. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kandace Mattson