

PLANNING BOARD

TOWN OF PETERBOROUGH, NH

Minutes of October 17, 2016

Site Visit

Members Present: Chair Ivy Vann, Alan Zeller, Bob Holt, Rich Clark, Jerry Galus, Ed Juengst and Matt Waitkins

Staff Present: Peter Throop, Director and Laura Norton, Administrative Assistant, Office of Community Development

Continued Preliminary Conceptual Consultation:

Chair Vann called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and introduced the members. “This is normally a workshop night for us” she said adding “but tonight we have a continuation of a preliminary conceptual review of 59 Union Street.” Chair Vann made it clear that no decisions were going to be made this evening.

While awaiting arrival of the applicant Chair Vann suggested they vote on the Minutes.

A motion was made/seconded (Galus/Zeller) to approve the Minutes of October 10, 2016 as written with all in favor.

Chair Vann then gave a brief update of the New Village Project. “It chugs along” she said noting she’d had an opportunity for public engagement over the weekend (Peek into Peterborough) where she had people filling out the survey they had created. “It was good” she said adding “I got to talk to a lot of people not coming to a meeting.”

From the audience Tyler Ward introduced himself as a citizen of the town and asked “is there any terminology in that ordinance that prohibits ...” Chair Vann immediately replied “We cannot prohibit the destruction of a building Tyler. I cannot.”

Having spoken with Mr. Branon on the phone Mr. Throop told the members and audience that Mr. Branon had mistakenly scheduled the wrong date for the continuance. He noted Mr. Branon expressed his most sincere apologies and requested continuance to the regularly scheduled November meeting.

Kitty Perullo introduced herself and asked about the standards of the ordinance, “if you are going to use the ordinance to promote the project.” Chair Vann replied “it says demolition of a (habitable) dwelling is strongly discouraged.” Ms. Perullo interjected “it is almost like cherry picking” with Chair Vann replying “that is a question you will need to ask Chad (Branon).”

In closing Chair Vann continued the Preliminary Conceptual Review for the potential redevelopment of 59 Union Street, Parcel No. U024-021-000. A project which proposes to remove an existing two-family home on the property and subdivide the property into four building lots using the Traditional Neighborhood Design Ordinance to November 14, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Norton

Administrative Assistant