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# Town of Machiasport

Planning Board Meeting
THURSDAY – August 4, 2022
5:00 PM
Minutes

Call to Order/Roll Call: Robert Arseneau called meeting to order @ 5PM. Board members present; Robert Arseneau, Karl Kurz, Bob Mercer, Gerry Crispino, Jeff Huntley & Betsy Fitzgerald. Participants present; Rose Arseneau, Kathy Mercer, Jarod Wright, Mary Doyle, Brian Doyle, Kendall Bremner, John Polk & son Josh Polk. Support staff present, Renee Mercer.

Planning Board Correspondence-none

Adjustments to Agenda-Robert Arseneau stated we have a demo application from the town.

Approval of Planning Board Minutes-July 2022-Gerry Crispino seconded the motion of Bob Mercer to approve the amended minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

## Consideration of Building Permits:

**22-20** Bill Vincent & Lynette Jones-house-Gerry Crispino seconded the motion of Bob Mercer to approve updated application. All in favor, motion carried.

### Late Building Permits:

- 22-21 Jaws III Seafood LLC-garage-Board helped applicant complete the application. Bob Mercer seconded the motion of Karl Kurz to approve updated application. All in favor, motion carried. Note-Jeff Huntley recused himself from the vote.
- 22-22 Kendall & Tisha Bremner-house-Jeff Huntley seconded the motion of Bob Mercer to approve updated application. All in favor, motion carried. Note-HHE-200 was done in 2020 so Betsy Fitzgerald suggested reaching out to Dana Altvater to see if he would continue as planned or make changes. Mr. Altvater responded; no changes were made. The response was added to building permit application.

### New Business:

- A. Mary Doyle-Mary & husband, Brian discussed what they would like to do on their property at 1738 Port Road. Information was shared with the board & the couple asked the board questions.
- **B.** Second Visitor-did not show for the meeting.
- C. Paula Aschettino-Letter-Collins Cove Branch Subdivision-Board reviewed the letter and concluded that this is not a matter for the board to handle.
- **CEO Report-Betsy Fitzgerald-**Betsy stated she has inspected septic systems on East Side & Collins Cove. Betsy stated the septic issue at 569 Port Road seems to be fine and she will keep an eye on it. She met with the

Doyle's. Betsy visited Sanborn Cove as Jeff Davis inquired about this and stated there was a minor subdivision and there are places that are buildable. The subdivision information is at the Town Office. Betsy stated she had a conversation with a guy from Massachusetts regarding building stairs. Lastly, Betsy went to perform a hazmat assessment at the Pettegrow Point house, but it was locked up and she could not get in, however she discussed the matter with an environmental engineer. The engineer stated if the house was built before 1960 there is probably nothing to worry about and stated the shingles may be the only issue. Betsy feels there is very little hazmat due to the shingles being on the house for a long time.

### **Old Business:**

- A. Demo Permit-Pettegrow House-application incomplete. Information needed; tax bill or deed, distance to the water (Note: Board figured out distance to water which is 150 feet from structure to high water mark) & shoreland zone application completed with contractors #. Gerry Crispino seconded the motion of Bob Mercer to approve application subject to receiving additional information. All in favor, motion carried.
- **B.** Right of Way-Pettegrow Point Road-Robert Arseneau stated he spoke with Jeff Davis regarding

the matter. Board still cannot proceed until matter is discussed by attorneys. Gerry Crispino seconded the motion of Karl Kurz to table discussion. All in favor, motion carried.

C. Septic System Design-Robert Arseneau spoke with Marc Rich, a realtor (566 Port Road) about the septic system. Proof of septic design needs to be shown.

Public Comments-none

Reports Comments from Members-Gerry Crispino apologized for the second time to Karl Kurz for interrupting him during the meeting. Gerry stated he is using older hearing aids until he gets his newer ones, and he cannot hear as well.

Adjournment-Jeff Huntley seconded the motion of Gerry Crispino to adjourn meeting. All in favor, motion carried, meeting adjourned @ 6:40 PM.

Robert Arseneau

Chair