

Approved 2/27/08

**HAMPDEN PLANNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 13, 2008
Town House**

Meeting called to order: 7:12pm

Members Present: Charlie Dolben, Chair, Joseph Kruzel and John Matthews.

Members Absent: Neil Flynn and Anthony Bongiorno, Associate.

Minutes: The minutes from the January 23, 2008 regular meeting were read. Mr. Matthews made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Mr. Kruzel seconded. The vote was approved unanimously.

Bills: The clerk's payroll voucher and the Reminder Publications invoice were approved and signed.

Fire Suppression System – A Public Hearing is scheduled for February 27th for proposed amendments to the Subdivision Rules and Regulations. One of the proposed changes will be to change the current requirement of a 10,000 gallon capacity fire protection storage system to a 30,000 gallon system.

Old Business

Subdivision Rules & Regulations - The Board reviewed the proposed amendments to the Subdivision Rules and Regulations drafted by Mr. Dolben. Changes can still be made during the Public Hearing. Mr. Matthews stated that he thought the building inspector may have a possible change to make. Mr. Matthews will speak with him.

Zoning Map Updates - The Town Clerk has asked the Planning Board to update the zoning map with the approved warrant article changes. She has supplied copies of the warrant articles and a current map. There are two zoning changes and one street extension correction to make. New maps will be ordered once the information has been updated. Mr. Dolben will work on the changes for the next meeting.

South Ridge Common Driveway - Russ Morton has not contacted the Planning Board in regards to the work that still needs to be done on the South Ridge common driveway. He was sent a copy of the Tighe and Bond inspection report. Mr. Dolben stated that John Flynn has a concern that there will be further problems if something is not done soon with the drainage situation. Mr. Kruzel thought that a timeline should be given to Mr. Morton to have the work completed by a certain date or the Town will step in and do the work. A bond was collected from Mr. Morton for the common driveway and swale work. Mr. Dolben will contact Mr. Flynn to see if the Highway department would be able to do the work if necessary.

New Business

Bennett Rd Subdivision - Kane appraisers from East Longmeadow called with questions on the Shadow Wood subdivision on Bennett Road. They needed the original approval date and the number of lots planned. The clerk supplied the information and was told that the subdivision will be called Colony Hills Estates now and may have a decrease in the number of lots due to the turtles in the area. The owners are working on their new plans.

Other Items - Reviewed without further discussion.

Mail – Reviewed

Mr. Kruzel made a motion to adjourn at 7:42pm. Mr. Matthews seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Submitted by: Deborah House, Clerk