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MINUTES OF THE HAMPDEN PLANNING BOARD
Wednesday, November 9, 2011
Town House

Approved 11/30/11

Attending Members: Cornelius Flynn
Charlie Dolben
John Matthews
Judge Robert Howarth
James Quackenbush

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by Chairman Cornelius Flynn.

Approval of Minutes – Mr. Dolben called for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 26th Regular Board Meeting as submitted. Judge Howarth seconded the motion. VOTE: All in favor so voted.

Mr. Dolben called for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 26th Public Hearing on the application of Stephen Carabetta for a Special Permit Under Section 7.2.4 of the Hampden Zoning Bylaws for a substandard frontage lot at 308 Somers Road. Judge Howarth seconded the motion. VOTE: All in favor so voted.

Audit/Site Plan Review of Main Street Businesses

Country Auto – Mr. Robert Fois, owner of Country Auto, attended the site plan review meeting with the board. Mr. Fois indicated he is not aware of any complaints pertaining to his business. The hours of operation are Monday thru Friday, 8 AM to 5 PM, and Saturday 8 AM to 12 Noon. The services he provides are welding, selling of used cars, plowing, and inspections. Mr. Fois indicated he is all set with the Department of Environmental Protection.

Site Plan Review – Ferrindino Landscaping – Gerald V. Ferrindino

Gerald and Carrie Ferrindino attended the meeting to request a site plan review. The Ferrindino's presented their business plan for Ferrindino Lawn Care Plus located at 284 Glendale Road in Hampden. Mr. Ferrindino indicated he has a small landscape business servicing approximately 50 customers. He has one employee. The services he provides include lawn care maintenance, instillation, spring and fall clean ups, brush mowing, bobcat work and small tree work and firewood. During the winter months he provides snowplow services to residential and commercial customers. He is fully insured and has been servicing the local area for over 10 years. His equipment is stored on site in a barn and is not visible. Mr. Ferrindino maintains his equipment. There are no pesticides on the premises. The hours for the spring, summer, and fall are 8 AM to 6 PM, Monday through Friday. His winter hours are according to snowfall. There will be no business sign posted. All his vehicles are parked behind the garage, and his employee parks in his turn-around. Mr. Ferrindino did apply for a permit for the accessory building where he will store the equipment.

Northeast Energy

A copy of the memo sent to the Zoning Inspector, Lance Trevallion, was reviewed by the board.

McLadden's - The board indicated they will discuss with the Zoning Enforcement Officer the number of seats available versus the number of parking spaces available when he returns to the office. They would like to understand how the Fire Department computes the Occupancy Maximum Number. The board will do a site visit to verify the number of parking spaces. Mr. Flynn stated that until they can solve the seat count to match the number of parking spaces, the front part of the building is shut off. There are 68 parking spaces in total of which 17 at a minimum are used for the other businesses.

ANR – 77 Howlett Hill Road – Mr. Fred Markham – The Planning Board Clerk is to check with the Board of Selectmen and the Highway Department to verify up to what point the road is maintained by the Town of Hampden Highway Department.

Mail – Reviewed.

Adjournment – Having no further business, Mr. Dolben made a motion to adjourn at 8:49 PM. Judge Howarth seconded the motion. VOTE: All in favor so adjourned. The Planning Board's next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, November 30, 2011.

Submitted by: Joanne Fiore, Clerk