# TOWN OF LANCASTER PLANNING BOARD Lancaster Community Center Monday, July 11, 2016

Present: Jeanne Rich, Chair, Tom Christopher, and Phil Lawler

Absent: Frank Sullivan

Also Present: Noreen Piazza, Planning Director

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Chair Jeanne Rich called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

## **General Business**

The Board reviewed the following information, Minutes from the March 14, 2016, April 25, 2016 and June 12, 2016 meetings

At 7:01 PM Mr. Thomas Christopher made a motion to approve the minutes from March 14, 2016 meeting as written. Mr. Phil Lawler seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 3-0-0.

At 7:02 PM Mr. Thomas Christopher made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 25, 2016 meeting as written. Mr. Phil Lawler seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 2-0-1. Chair Rich abstained.

The minutes from the June 13, 2016 meeting have been tabled to the next meeting.

## **Discussion, Planning Board Member Vacancy**

Present: Donald Chaisson

Chair Rich invited Mr. Chaisson to the table to sit and discuss why he would like to become a member of the Planning Board.

Chair Rich explained to Mr. Chaisson the term length on the vacancy and the meeting schedule. Chair Rich then asked Mr. Chaisson why he wanted to be appointed to the Planning Board.

Mr. Donald Chaisson that his letter of intent to the Board of Selectman gave his reasons for applying to sit on the Planning Board which included the need for more experienced people on town boards, more diverse opinions on town boards, and a look to more future development in the town and the tax payers.

The Board held a discussion with Mr. Chaisson regarding possible places for development.

Chair Rich thanked Mr. Chaisson for his interest in servicing on the Planning Board. Chair Rich stated that the Board of Selectmen will make the final decision on the appointment to the Board but the Board will make a recommendation.

#### **General Business**

The Board reviewed the following information vouchers (6)

At 7:29 PM Mr. Phil Lawler made a motion to approve the voucher from Kopelman and Paige in the amount of \$105.00 for Town Council review. Mr. Thomas Christopher seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 3-0-0.

At 7:30 PM Mr. Phil Lawler made a motion to approve the voucher from Kopelman and Paige in the amount of \$595.00 for Town Council review. Mr. Thomas Christopher seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 3-0-0.

At 7:30 PM Mr. Phil Lawler made a motion to approve the voucher from Haley and Ward, Inc. in the amount of \$723.96 for Preliminary Subdivision Review for Colony Lane. Mr. Thomas Christopher seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 3-0-0.

At 7:31 PM Mr. Phil Lawler made a motion to approve the voucher from Haley and Ward, Inc. in the amount of \$542.97 for Site Plan Review for F C Stars. Mr. Thomas Christopher seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 3-0-0.

At 7:31 PM Mr. Phil Lawler made a motion to approve the voucher from Haley and Ward, Inc. in the amount of 542.97 for as-built plans and street acceptance plans for Devonshire Estates. Mr. Thomas Christopher seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 3-0-0.

At 7:32 PM Mr. Phil Lawler made a motion to approve the voucher from Haley and Ward, Inc. in the amount of \$900.05 for review at Eagle Ridge. Mr. Thomas Christopher seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 3-0-0.

# **Discussion, Planning Board Member Vacancy**

Present: Ted Manning

Chair Rich asked Mr. Ted Manning why he is interested in being a member of the Planning Board.

Mr. Ted Manning stated that he felt that an experienced person should fill the vacancy and stated that he has many years of experience with site development and has served on Board in the town including the Conservation Commission and Public Works Commission.

Chair Rich asked Mr. Manning what the biggest issue facing the Planning Board.

Mr. Manning stated that the Town needs to look at development and generating more tax dollars.

The Board and Mr. Manning had a brief discussion regarding development in town.

Chair Rich thanked Mr. Manning for his time and his interest in serving on the Planning Board. Chair Rich stated that the Board of Selectman will be making the appointment but the Planning Board will make a recommendation.

#### Discussion, Recommendation to Selectman

The Board held a discussion regarding the two interest candidates for the Board.

After some discussion the Board decided to recommend Mr. Donald Chaisson to be appointed to the Planning Board for one year.

At 8:03 PM Mr. Phil Lawler made a motion to recommend Mr. Donald Chaisson to the Board of Select as the appointee to the Planning Board for a trail period of one year. Mr. Thomas Christopher seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 3-0-0

# <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Hampson Office Manager