

A regular meeting of the Bath Planning Board was called on 11-16-04 for the purpose of conducting regular business.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Oxtan, Chair
Jim Harper, Vice Chair
Robin Haynes
Richard Klingaman
Gordon Reed
Bill Vahey
Brandon Shaw(non-voting student member)
Jonathan Dolloff(non-voting student member)

MEMBERS ABSENT

James Hopkinson

STAFF PRESENT

Jim Upham, Planning Director
Marsha Hinton, Recording Secretary

Bob Oxtan, Chair, called the meeting to order in the third floor Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 16, 2004.

Minutes of October 19, 2004, meeting and November 11, 2004, site walk.

Robin Haynes noted that on page three of the minutes in the motion on line 8 of the paragraph the word “gable” should be added between the words “additional element” for clarity. Jim Upham noted that there was also a typographical error in that same motion on line 6 of that paragraph that should be the word “to” and not “ito.”

RICHARD KLINGAMAN MOVED, SECONDED BY ROBIN HAYNES TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 19, 2004, MEETING AS AMENDED.**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL****Old Business:****Item 1**

Request for Site Plan Approval – filling on the lot at the corner of Lemont and High streets (Map 24, Lot 9A); Jeffrey Bengtsson, applicant. (Continued from the October 19, 2004, meeting.)

Nicholas Sabatine, consultant for the applicant, stated that the proposal was to bring in 20 twelve yard trucks loads of sand and gravel to level the site and then use 20 yards of loam for seeding. Mr. Sabatine pointed out grading to control water flow on the site.

The Planning Board held discussion regarding vegetation, drainage, orientation of various sketches provided by the applicant, elevations, drainage from the roads onto the site, comments from the City Arborist, swales, and timeline for completion.

JIM HARPER MOVED, SECONDED BY ROBIN HAYNES, TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR FILLING ON THE LOT AT THE CORNER OF LEMONT AND HIGH STREETS (MAP 24, LOT 9A); JEFFREY BENGTTSSON, APPLICANT WITH THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

THAT A REVISED GRADING PLAN BE SUBMITTED TO THE PLANNING OFFICE SHOWING THE SWALE TO ROUTE THE RUNOFF ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE LOT;

THAT CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO A INSTALLING A SWALE ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE LOT, AND;

THAT THE SWALE CONFIGURATION BE TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL.

The applicant was reminded of the limitation to the amount of dirt that can be moved without further application for a permit and that he had 35 days to provide a new drawing or the action taken by the Planning Board this evening would be void.

New Business:

No new business.

Other Business:

Workshop – Planning Board Discussion regarding the Comprehensive Plan Update.

Bruce Hyman, Wilbur Smith Associates, discussed the proposed Work Plan and Responsibilities, various data sources, and appropriate groups to take the lead on the data gathering process. Mr. Hyman highlighted the need to gather data that could be developed.

The Planning Board discussed accurate data on the number of children under school age, determining the accuracy of the 2000 Census data, who is buying homes in Bath, ways to identify types of self-employed business owners, quantifying whether a road is pedestrian friendly, and the overall process of data collection.

Jim Upham stated that there were now about 19 people who have expressed a desire to serve on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee.

There being no further business to come before the Board, **JIM HARPER MOVED, SECONDED BY GORDON REED, THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.**

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The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Marsha Hinton, Recording Secretary