

A special meeting of the Bath Planning Board was called on 6-12-07 for the purpose of conducting business.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jim Hopkinson, Vice Chair
Bob Oxtan
Robin Haynes
Andy Omo
David King

MEMBERS ABSENT

Chelsea Hall (non-voting student member)
Jim Harper, Chair
Jennifer DeChant

STAFF PRESENT

Jim Upham, Planning Director

Old Business

None

New Business

Item 1

Request for Conditional Certificate of Occupancy – 340 Oak Grove Avenue (Map 19, Lot 2-1); Bath United Methodist Church, applicant.

Ralph Lewis, chair of the building committee, represented the applicant. He told the Board that they would like to hold services at the new church on June 17th and that the only remaining work was some of the landscaping. He presented a letters, which stated that the cost of the plant materials and planting would be \$12,000. He also said that he had been advised to not plant until September or October. (After the meeting he gave the Planning Director the check for \$12,000 made out to the City of Bath, as the performance guarantee.)

The Board asked Mr. Upham if the Codes Enforcement Officer (CEO) had reported that the building was safe to occupy. He said that he had not, and that if the Board approved the request it should be subject to such a report from the CEO.

The Board asked if the letter from Landscaper Jackie Barrett regarding the plan materials referred to the same plants as on the approved plan. Mr. Upham said that he had not checked the letter against the approved site plan.

Hearing no further comments from the Board, Mr. Hopkinson asked for a motion.

MR. KING MOVED, SECONDED BY MR. OXTON, TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR CONDITIONAL CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY WITH THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

- **THAT THE PLANNING DIRECTOR RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CEO STATING THAT THE BUILDING IS SAFE TO OCCUPY,**
- **THAT THIS APPROVAL DOES NOT MODIFY THE APPROVED PLANTING PLAN IN ANY WAY, AND**
- **THAT THE PLANTING BE COMPLETED BY OCTOBER 31, 2007.**

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

With no further business to come before the Board, **MR. KING MOVED, SECONDED BY MR. OXTON, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.**

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Meeting adjourned 5:30 pm.

Minutes prepared by Jim Upham, Planning Director.