A regular meeting of the Bath Planning Board was called on 2-15-11 for the purpose of conducting regular business.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Oxton, Chair James Hopkinson, Vice Chair Paul Fraser Robin Haynes Drew Molbowski (non-voting student member) Haley Grill (non-voting student member)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Andy Omo Donald Rogers

STAFF PRESENT

Jim Upham, Planning Director Marsha Hinton, Recording Secretary

Mr. Oxton, Chair, called the meeting to order in the third floor Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 15, 2011.

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DR. HAYNES MOVED, SECONDED BY MR. HOPKINSON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 4, 2011 AS SUBMITTED.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

Old Business

Item 1

Request for Historic District Approval – 19 Fremont Street (Map 26, Lot 204); Cyrus & Jessica Benson, applicants (Continued from the January 4, 2011 Meeting)

Mr. James Hoare, representing the applicants Cyrus and Jessica Benson, presented photographs of a similar window on a house located at the corner of Oak Street and Washington. Mr. Hoare added that he had explored using windows of different sizes and felt that this size was most appropriate. Mr. Hoare pointed out that the window was not an attic window but a second floor window to provide light and a view of the garden below.

Dr. Haynes stated that the Land Use Ordinance addressed proportion and that this window as proposed was not in proportion with the rest of the windows on the house. Dr. Haynes pointed out that the proposed round window was thirty-three percent larger than the other windows in the structure.

The Planning Board discussed functionality, size, proportion, and the Ordinance criteria.

MR. FRASER MOVED, SECONDED BY MR. HOPKINSON, TO APPROVE THE ROUND WINDOW SHOWN ON THE DRAWING RECEIVED BY THE PLANNING OFFICE ON JANUARY 10, 2011, FOR 19 FREMONT STREET (MAP 26, LOT 204); CYRUS & JESSICA BENSON, APPLICANTS.

THREE IN FAVOR (MR. FRASER, MR. HOPKINSON AND MR. OXTON) ONE OPPOSED (DR. HAYNES)

New Business

Item 1

Planning Board review of existing record and deliberations pertaining to wetlands, traffic, connectivity, waiver of road geometric standards, and the construction infrastructure plan requirement. – Wing Farm Subdivision (West Bath)

Mr. Fraser stated that the attorney representing the plaintiff also represented him and therefore recused himself. Mr. Fraser then left the room.

The Planning Board held discussion on proceeding without a quorum present.

MR. HOPKINSON MOVED, SECONDED BY DR. HAYNES, TO CONTINUE THE REVIEW OF EXISTING RECORD AND DELIBERATIONS PERTAINING TO WETLANDS, TRAFFIC, CONNECTIVITY, WAIVER OF ROAD GEOMETRIC STANDARDS, AND THE CONSTRUCTION INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN REQUIREMENT FOR THE WING FARM SUBDIVISION IN WEST BATH TO THE MARCH 15, 2011, REGULAR MEETING OF THE BATH PLANNING BOARD.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

Other Business

Mr. Upham stated that Ms. Fitzpatrick has resigned from the Planning Board due to a conflict in the schedule of her new job. Mr. Upham expressed his appreciation for her service to the City of Bath. Mr. Oxton also expressed his appreciation for Ms. Fitzpatrick's service as well as for her thoughtful contributions as a member of the Planning Board.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, MR. HOPKINSON MOVED SECONDED BY DR. HAYNES, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 6:32 PM.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

Minutes prepared by Marsha Hinton, Recording Secretary.