

A regular meeting of the Bath Planning Board was called on 6-19-12 for the purpose of conducting regular business.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Oxtan, Chair
James Hopkinson, Vice Chair
Paul Fraser
Carolyn Lockwood
Andy Omo
John Swenson
Cal Stilphen

MEMBERS ABSENT

Megan Hixon (non-voting student member)
Haley Grill (non-voting student member)

STAFF PRESENT

Andrew Deci, Director of Planning

Mr. Oxtan, Chair, called the meeting to order in the third floor Council Chambers at 5:06 p.m. on Tuesday, June 19, 2012.

Minutes May 1, 2012 meeting

MS. LOCKWOOD MOVED, SECONDED BY MR. STILPHEN TO ACCEPT THE PLANNING BOARD MINUTES OF MAY 1, 2012.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**Old Business****Item 1**

Request for Site Plan Approval – The Keeping of Animals (chickens) according to Land Use Code Section 11.03 – 48 Willow Street (Map 21, Lot 45); Gina Hamilton, applicant

Mr. Deci described proposal to construct a small movable coop to house chickens. Mr. Deci summarized the previous meeting's discussion and indicated that there was a lack of quorum at the scheduled meeting on June 7, 2012.

Mr. Deci provided an updated diagram, procured by a visit to the site, showing a recommended location for the coop, should the Planning Board approve the waivers.

The Planning Board held discussion on ordinance standards, proposed location of the coop, setbacks, manure, composting, and proximity of abutters.

Mr. Oxtan, opened the floor to members of the public who wished to comment on this agenda item.

None being seen, Mr. Oxtan closed the public portion of the meeting.

Mr. Hopkinson said he believed that the required setbacks were not waiverable.
Mr. Deci said that with previous cases, the setbacks had been waived.

The Planning Board held discussion on previous cases and their merit.

Mr. Stilphen requested that the Planning Board hold a workshop on a chicken ordinance.

MR. HOPKINSON MOVED, SECONDED BY MR. FRASER TO DENY THE REQUEST FOR SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR THE KEEPING OF ANIMALS (CHICKENS) ACCORDING TO LAND USE CODE SECTION 11.03 AT 48 WILLIS STREET (MAP 21, LOT 45) BY GINA HAMILTON, APPLICANT.

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Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, **MR. FRASER MOVED, SECONDED BY MS. LOCKWOOD, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 5:27 PM.**

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

Minutes prepared by Andrew Deci, Director of Planning & Development