

A regular meeting of the Bath Planning Board was called on 5-17-16 for the purpose of conducting regular business.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Oxton, Chair
James Hopkinson, Vice Chair
John Sunderland
Albert Branca

MEMBERS ABSENT

Andy Omo
Cal Stilphen
Russell Martin
Ricky Warren (non-voting student member)
Griffin Tibbitts (non-voting student member)

STAFF PRESENT

Andrew Deci, Planning Director

Mr. Oxton, Chair, called the meeting to order in the third floor Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17, 2016.

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MR. HOPKINSON MOVED, SECONDED BY MR. SUNDERLAND TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 19, 2016 AS PRESENTED.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**Old Business**

None

New Business**Item 1**

Request for Historic District Amendment – 44 Summer Street (Map 26, Lot 221); The Biosophical Institute, applicant.

Mr. Deci described the proposal to amend the previous approval for an exterior stair.

David Matero, David Matero Architecture, described the need to amend the design for the egress stair from third floor and ADA ramp to the first floor due to cost. Mr. Matero stated that the proposal was to change the stairway to wood and using a lift instead of an ADA ramp. Mr. Matero described the exterior design of the stair tower.

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

Tom Rice, 40 Summer Street, stated that he was concerned about the proximity of the proposed structure to the driveway. Mr. Rice requested that the structure go no further into the driveway and asked to place a post to prevent damage.

There being no further comment from members of the public, Mr. Oxtan closed the public portion of the meeting.

The Planning Board discussed the brackets on the posts, impact on abutting properties, size of stair tower, bollard, historic district standards,

MR. HOPKINSON MOVED, SECONDED BY MR. BRANCA TO FIND THE APPLICATION COMPLETE AND TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR REQUEST FOR HISTORIC DISTRICT AMENDMENT AT 44 SUMMER STREET (MAP 26, LOT 221) FOR THE BIOSOPHICAL INSTITUTE, APPLICANT.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

Other Business

Mr. Deci asked for a recommendation or endorsement for the Bath Planning Board representative on the Bath Development Corporation.

MR. SUNDERLAND MOVED, SECONDED BY MR. BRANCA TO RECOMMEND MR. HOPKINSON AS THE PLANNING BOARD REPRESENTATIVE ON THE BATH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

None

There being no further business before the Board, **MR. SUNDERLAND MOVED, SECONDED BY MR. BRANCA, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 6:20 PM.**

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

Minutes prepared by Marsha Hinton, Recording Secretary.