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SEYMOUR PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Minutes

July 10, 2014

Norma Drummer Room, Town Hall

Members Present: D. Bisto, W. Birdsell, B. Koskelowski, J. Ziehl

Members Absent: T. Lavranchuk, D. Scheck, Alt.

Others Present: Bob Looker, Town Planner, Bill Paecht, ZEO

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman, Walt Birdsell.

1. Sec. 8-24 Referral, Lighting and Fencing Improvements, Seymour High School Softball Field

Bob Lange stated that the Town has been making improvements to the high school softball field and are now finishing the project. They will be adding new lights, fence and more bleachers. This is being done with private donations and no expense to the town.

Andrew Dyjak, 26 Boston Post Road, Waterford, representative from the company that will supply the lights stated that there will be four poles erected, 60' high with a total of 16 fixtures. The lighting will be done to the standards of high school softball and Little League. Each fixture will have a visor and there will be no spill onto abutting properties. There is a control system which is password protected so that they will not be left on when not in use. The cost is approximately \$5.00/\$7.00 per hour. Mr. Koskelowski asked who is responsible to change the lamps. Mr. Dyjak stated that the Company does that and they are programmed so that they can see when the voltage drops and can send out a technician to change the lamps. Mr. Koskelowski asked who pays for the electricity and Mr. Dyjak stated that the Town does. Mr. Bitso asked if there would be any effect on homes in the area and Mr. Dyjak stated that there will not be.

MOTION: W. Birdsell/B. Koskelowski to recommend favorably on the 8-24 Referral for lighting and fencing improvements, Seymour High School Softball Field.
Motion carried 4-0.

2. Proposed Zone Change, 6 & 6A Chatfield Street, R-18 to MF.

Mr. Bitso stated that he would recommend that this be tabled so that the members could have more time to research the matter. Mr. Koskelowski agreed and stated that the main concern is the traffic and width of Chatfield Street.

MOTION: W. Birdsell/J. Ziehl to table this matter to the August meeting.
Motion carried 4-0.

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3. Zoning Enforcement

Mr. Paecht presented an inspection report from Nafis & Young on the Haynes property. He stated that it recommends increased sweeping to help control the dust issue. He stated that all Town departments were at the inspection meeting and it went well. Mr. Koskelowski asked about the original project. Mr. Looker stated that they have not decided if they will move forward with their original plans. Mr. Birdsell felt that inspections should be done more frequently. Mr. Paecht stated that they are done every six months and the only issue was some dust. He stated that there is dust from blasting and blasting is under the jurisdiction of the Fire Marshal. The other dust issue is from the trucks leaving and entering the site. Mr. Bitso stated that the dust issue should be monitored and the inspections done every six months.

Mr. Birdsell asked about their project behind Stop & Shop. Mr. Paecht stated that there was an issue with cleaning up the brownfields area and Stop & Shop is working on that.

Mr. Paecht stated that the Seymour Lumber demolition is being done by a private company and monitored by the State. There are some hazardous materials that are being removed from the site and the air quality is being monitored. He stated that the fish ladder project should be finished by September.

Mr. Paecht presented his report which the members reviewed. He also stated that he receives a lot of calls regarding fences and felt that the fence ordinance should be reviewed. The members agreed that he should get more information on this for the next meeting.

MOTION: B. Koskelowski/J. Ziehl to add to the agenda, Long Range Planning Committee discussion.
Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Bitso stated that Don Smith was at a meeting of the Commission several months ago and asked for any thoughts or recommendations that the members had for the Long Range Planning Committee. He asked the members to think about this and have this on the agenda for next month for further discussion.

6. Minutes – Public Hearing and Regular Meeting – May 8, 2014

Mr. Birdsell asked to review the tapes from this meeting because he was not certain of the accuracy of the minutes regarding the approval of the text changes. Mr. Paecht and Mr. Looker stated that it was approved but the tapes were available for him to listen to.

MOTION: J. Ziehl/W. Birdsell to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2014 public hearing and regular meeting.
Motion carried 4-0

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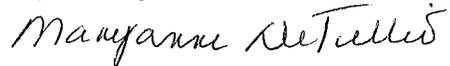
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MOTION: B. Koskelowski/W. Birdsell to adjourn the meeting.
Motion carried 4-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Maryanne DeTullio, Recording Secretary