

LINCOLN PLANNING BOARD

MAY 27, 2009

APPROVED

The regular meeting of the Planning Board was held on Wednesday, May 27, 2009, at the Lincoln Town Hall, 100 Old River Road, Lincoln, Rhode Island.

Chairman Olean called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Gerald Olean, Timothy Griffin, Michael Reilly, Greg Mercurio Jr., Wilfred Ordonez and John Hunt. Also in attendance were Town Planner Albert Ranaldi, Town Engineer N. Kim Wiegand and Joelle C. Sylvia for the Town Solicitor. Russell Hervieux kept the minutes.

The following member was absent from this meeting: Kenneth Bostic.

Chairman Olean advised that six members were present; have quorum.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Olean reminded members that the consent agenda has eight zoning applications and staff reports. A consent agenda is normally voted on in total unless a member motions to remove an item.

Motion was made by member Griffin to accept the consent agenda as presented was seconded by member Mercurio. Motion was approved by all members present.

MAJOR SUBDIVISION REVIEW

a. Sables Road Subdivision- Phase I AP 44 Lots 33 Preliminary Plan Leslie W. Sables Angell & Whipple Road Extension

Mr. Ranaldi stated that this application is for a preliminary plan extension. The applicant has received other extensions on this project. The applicant has been working diligently on moving this project forward. Unfortunately, with the current tough economic times the applicant is forced to ask for another extension. The attorney for the applicant presented a comprehensive explanation of the current housing market and why his client would need more time. The applicant is requesting a one year extension of the preliminary plan and the TRC recommends approval. Member Mercurio questioned whether any existing property owners would be adversely affected by this project being delayed. Mr. Ranaldi stated no.

Eric Brainsky, attorney for the applicant spoke very briefly to the Board. Mr. Brainsky stated that Mr. Ranaldi presented the case well and he is here if the Board has any questions.

Motion made by member Mercurio to approve the preliminary plan extension as recommended by the TRC was seconded by member Reilly. Motion was approved by all members present.

CORRESPONDENCE/MISCELLANEOUS

One piece of correspondence was discussed from GrowSmartRI. Mr. Ranaldi supplied all Board members with an application for the annual “Making Good Land-Use Decisions” seminar sponsored by GrowSmartRI. Some members have attended this course previously. It is a three night meeting. Mr Ranaldi stated that this is a very good general course which he recommends for members to attend. The Town has money in the budget if any members are interested in attending. Chairman Olean stated that if any members are interested in attending they should fill out the application and forward it to Mr. Ranaldi.

SECRETARY’S REPORT

The Board was given one set of minutes to review. They are for April 22, 2009. The Town Planner Al Ranaldi stated that he has reviewed these minutes.

Motion made by member Griffin to dispense with the reading of the April 22, 2009 minutes and accept the minutes as presented was seconded by member Mercurio. Motion was approved by all

members present.

Chairman Olean recognized Ted Sullivan in the audience and gave him an opportunity to speak to the Board. Mr. Sullivan made a brief presentation to the Board. Mr. Sullivan explained that he is a Boy Scout here tonight observing for his merit badge of communications. Mr. Sullivan explained that part of earning his merit badge is to take notes at a public meeting. Chairman Olean and members of the Board explained the meeting process.

Motion was made by member Griffin to adjourn which was seconded by member Mercurio at 7:09 pm. Motion was approved by all members present.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell Hervieux