

Town of North Smithfield Ordinance Development Committee

March 8, 2012 7PM

Primrose Fire Station

Providence Pike, N. Smithfield, RI 02896

March Monthly Meeting

Minutes

1. Call to order: President Zwolenski called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

2. Roll call: Members present were Mr. Puccetti, Mr. Juhr, Mr. Zwolenski, Mr. Soares and Dr. Brennan. Dr. Shumway was out of Town. Dr. Benoit had a conflict with a Planning Board meeting. Town Administrator Hamilton sat in observation at the onset. Town Planner Ericson arrived about 8PM.

3. It was moved, seconded, discussed and passed unanimously to accept the February 9 minutes. [Soares/Zwolenski] It moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to accept the February 15 minutes with two editorial corrections. [Soares/Juhr]

4. Reports

5. Town Council: [Mr. Zwolenski]

a. Mr. Zwolenski encouraged all members of the ODC to attend TC meetings when ODC approved ordinances are on the agenda. Member participation would be helpful in facilitating the counselors

understanding of the value of the ordinances to the health, safety, welfare, and prosperity of the Town and its citizens. It was noted that the ODC's next meeting is on March 19th in concert with the TC meeting.

b. There is some concern that the Counselors might lack a full understanding of the ordinances. Mr. Puccetti suggested that the ordinances could be put in a more user-friendly form.

c. Progress on the OWTS Ordinance will progress after Dr. Shumway, Mr. Marcantonio of the R.I. Builders Association, Dr. Jaubert, and other interested parties meet to search out a mutually acceptable approach to the issues.

d. The Parking and Loading Ordinance was tabled by the Council. It is on the agenda for review by the Planning Board. To Encourage the Council to proceed with a Parking and Loading Ordinance, Mr. Zwolenski intends to submit his own version to the Council for action.

e. The Aquifer Protection Ordinance has been referred to the Planning Board.

f. The TC has requested that the ODC take up the issue of an aggregate extraction ordinance. Considerable work has already been done on such an ordinance by the Town Solicitor, the Town Planner, and the Town Administrator. All have agreed to add their expertise to the efforts of the ODC should the Committee choose to work on the issue. This will be considered at the next monthly meeting.

6. Ordinance Development

a. By general consent, the ODC accepts the definitions of the districts

Business Highway BH, Business Neighborhood BN, and Business Agriculture BA as presented in the February 27, 2009 revision of 'Section 3. District Use Regulations, Section 3.2, Intent of Each Zoning District'.

b. The Committee reviewed and developed the District Use Regulations as listed in the Use Table, Section 3.4, revised by the N.S.R.A 5.23.11 as the table relates to Districts BH, BN, and BA.

c. It was moved, seconded, discussed and unanimously passed to extend the meeting until 9:30. [Soares/Zwolenski]

d. It was moved, seconded, discussed and unanimously passed to extend the meeting until 10:00 [Zwolenski/Soares]

7. Adjournment: It was moved, seconded, discussed and unanimously passed to adjourn the meeting at 9:43.