

Town of Sharon Planning Board
Minutes of 11/12/15
Approved 12/3/15
Sharon Community Center
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Planning Board Attendees	
Pat Pannone - absent	Ben Pinkowitz , Chair
Shannon McLaughlin	Peter O'Cain, Town Engineer
Rob Maidman	David Blaszkowsky
Lance Delpriore, Assistant Town Engineer	

Other Attendees	
Joe Roche	Mr. and Mrs. Galvin
Mr. Pillar	

Meeting Initiation

Chair Pinkowitz called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM and read the Chair's Report.

Meeting Minutes

Mr. Maidman moved to approve the minutes of 10/28/15. Ms. McLaughlin seconded the motion. The Board voted 4-0-0 in favor of approval.

Mt. Fern

Mr. O'Cain stated that Mt. Fern was renamed to Lexington Way and as a housekeeping issue Town Counsel said the Planning Board should vote to approve the change. Mr. Maidman moved to officially recognize the former Mt. Fern Street as Lexington Way. Mr. Blaszkowsky seconded the motion and the Board voted 4-0-0 in favor.

Mr. O'Cain as Agent of the Board will clarify the stations involved in this change.

Everett Street

Mr. O'Cain commented that the developer wants to change the name of the Everett Street development to Audubon Way. Mr. Pinkowitz commented that Everett Street is a longstanding public and private way since the 1800's. The Audubon Society which abuts this property is against the developer using the name Audubon Way. As per his discussion with Town Counsel, Mr. Pinkowitz said that since it is a private way it is under the purview of the Planning Board. He said the questions to determine are: is the name change appropriate, and is Audubon Way appropriate for this street.

Mr. O'Cain commented that any name can be chosen.

Joe Roche coming to the Board as a citizen stated that Everett Street is over 100 years old. The one resident of the street currently has lived there for over 50 years. The street is historical and he feels the name should not be changed.

Mr. and Mrs. Galvin, the residents of the street and who live at 284 Everett Street said they do not want the name changed.

Mr. O'Cain said he is not in support of the name change either but is not opposed to a different name other than Audubon.

Mr. Maidman said that it has not been established if Audubon is trademarked, if friction exists between the developer and the Audubon which could lead to friction with the Town, abutters Board etc. and lastly Mr. Galvin is established and his wish should take precedence.

Ms. McLaughlin is not in support of this name change either because Everett Street already exists, the history of the road, there is no compelling reason to change and Audubon does not want it.

Mr. O'Cain commented that there is no compelling reason to have the developer attend a meeting regarding this. The Board is not required to have them come in. Everett Street is listed as a scenic road in Sharon.

Ms. McLaughlin moved to deny the request to change Everett Street to Audubon Way. The Board voted 4-0-0 in favor of denying a name change for Everett Street.

Diamond Residence

Postponed

Form A Glendale

Mr. Pillar came before the Board again, regarding two previously created lots. Both have frontage and are on public ways. Lot 2A has frontage on North Main Street and Lot 3A has frontage on Glendale. A brief conversation ensued.

Mr. Blaskowsky moved to accept the ANR for 1 Glendale and 61 N. Main Street dated 9/25/15 as prepared by DKW Builders, Pilling Engineering Group, Inc. Ms. McLaughlin seconded the motion and the Board voted 4-0-0 in favor of approval.

Accessory Housing

Mr. Maidman said he is focusing on creating a definition for Accessory Housing. He is focusing on changes needed to zoning for qualified residences to accommodate.

Other potential topics for future Meetings

1. Available lots over 5 acres.
2. Work on Updating Shape Factor Bylaw
3. The need for better signage at the train station and potential traffic calming measures during rush hour.

Adjournment

Mr. Blaskowsky moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM and Ms. McLaughlin seconded the motion. The Board voted 4-0-0 in favor of adjournment.

Future Scheduled Meeting

12/3, 12/17, 1/14, 1/28, 2/11, 2/25 – these are THURSDAYS