

Guilford Planning Board
Minutes December 18, 2013 Meeting
Guilford Town Office

Meeting called to order at 7:00 AM.

Attendance

Members present: Matt Holland, Chairman; Robert Elliot, Richard Panciera, and Lou Sidell
Secretary - Quorum present: Alternate present: Ed Davis, First Alternate.

Absent: Martha Ward

Also present: Keith Doore, Code Enforcement Officer;

Approval of the minutes

Member Elliot moved to approve the minutes with the correction that the name Jimmy Frends be corrected to read Jimmy French, Member Panciera seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Code Officer's Report

Code Enforcement Officer, Keith Doore, provided the board with the following report:

Gordon Davis spoke to the Board regarding an issue involving Map 18, Lot 40 on Davis Pond Road owned by Peter Chelbus of Massachusetts. It is in an area of small lots only 50 feet deep. At issue is the clearing of trees within the state imposed Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. The CEO stated that the trees on the lot were either dead or in the process of dying. The white birch will probably die soon. Keith said he informed them that they do not have to save it. The regulations don't allow the cutting of so many trees. It was noted that they cannot drop a tree on the pond and there are approximately 10 trees on the lot. They noted that they would like to burn the debris on the lot. Keith noted that there is no notice required. Member Elliot moved to approve the request and Member Panciera seconded. Motion carried.

CEO Doore reported that lot at Map 2, Lot 41-6 has been an ongoing problem. He told the owners that we have waited long enough for the lot to be cleaned up. He explained that the fine is going to be \$50/day for several days. The owners went to a lawyer and the lawyer called Keith. It was explained that they need permits and need to clean up the place. They need a driveway and concrete slab for a mobile home. The Board imposed a deadline for compliance by and the installation of a culvert and entrance permit as July 31, 2014. The Board also stated it wanted the trash removed as soon as possible.

The following dates were recommended by Chairman Holland.

Clean up of the site by the end of May, 2014

Culvert installed by the end of June, 2014

Slab for the mobile home installed by the end of July

Member Sidell recommended pictures be taken of the current conditions for documentation.

Member Elliot moved to approve the dates above and Member Panciera seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CEO Doore noted that the earlier issue on High street that the goats and pig are gone.

Fireworks Ordinance:

Chairman Holland noted that is has been quiet for now but it most likely won't last. We want something enforceable. It was discussed that there be no fireworks within the Sewer and Water District.

Member Elliot said we should have it for the entire town and Sunday through Thursday they will not be allowed.

Chairman Holland recommended the hours of 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM.

Member Panciera stated there should be none of Sunday.

The age shall be limited to the age of 21 and allowed only on property of the owner or with owner's permission. The issue of fallout and debris carries multiple concerns.

A permit system was discussed and Member Sidell thought a permit system should be imposed. The consensus was to provide for a permit process.

There was also some discussion regarding forest fire danger and the need to not allow them when there is a high danger.

It was suggested to leave out the domestic pets as a concern.

It was noted by Chairman Holland that the ordinance must be enforced by the town constable

The applicant must show the property owners name, address and phone number.

It was noted that the next Comprehensive Planning Committee meeting will be on January 14, 2014 at 7:00 PM.

Adjourn:

Member Elliot moved to adjourn and Member Griffith seconded. Motion carried.

Respectively Submitted,

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Lou Sidell,
Secretary