

Planning Board Minutes – September 11, 2013

A meeting of the Town of Freetown **Planning Board** was held on **September 11, 2013** at the Freetown Town Hall, 3 North Main Street, Assonet, MA. **Present:** Chairman Robert Raymond, Mark Rogers, Keven Desmarais

A. Meeting called to order by Chairman Raymond (7:07 PM)

The meeting was moved from its posted location upstairs in the Town Administrators/Selectmen's Office to downstairs in the hallway.

B. Endorsements

Rick Charon, representing Brian French, approached the board with a Form A Plan titled "Plan of Land in Freetown, Mass Prepared for Brian G. & Donna M. French and the Estate of Virginia L. French Assessors Map 211, Lots 201 & 202" dated June 10, 2013 and revised through July 31, 2013 showing 59,257 sq. ft. of land to be conveyed from Map 211 Lot 202 to Map 211 Lot 201. **Motion to endorse: Mark Rogers; Second: Keven Desmarais; Unanimously voted**

The board endorsed the Form C-1 for Garry's Way subdivision, newly retitled "Joshua's Lane". The clerk will hand to the Town Clerk to start the 21 day appeal period.

Rick Charon, representing Barry Costa, presented the revised plans meeting the board's conditional approval for the project located at 64-66 South Main Street. Revisions included additional parking spaces in order to closer meet the required number as outlined by the rules and regulations of the planning board. The Site Plan Review and Special Permit decisions were signed by Mark Rogers and Bob Raymond.

C. Resident Concerns re: Aduke Way subdivision

Deb and Armand Trepanier, residents at 11 Simmons Street, submitted a letter to the board outlining concerns about the clear cutting activity by the developers. They share a 15' wide utility easement with the developer. They state that old growth trees they thought were to be preserved have been completely cut, and a fence along their property has been damaged by contractors. The Chairman stated that the review engineer has been out to the project and has not stated in the reports that the developers has done anything outside of the scope of the approved plan. Deborah and Dean Pettey of Ledgeview Development submitted a rebuttal letter and stated they have made themselves available to the abutters with any concerns. Ms. Pettey stated that the property lines have been staked and that the trees had to come down to put the swale in. The chairman advised the parties to work together after reading a letter from the consulting engineer stating that no encroachment was made onto private abutting property.

D. Tony Sousa of Chipaway Acres Requesting Release of Surety

Mr. Sousa stated that the cover is in, behind the asphalt berms have been loamed and seeded, and grass is growing. He states the rip rap and 10 bounds to be installed are still outstanding. The board instructs him to finish these items as well as provide the final review engineer inspection and an as built before final surety can be released.

E. Misc

Motion to recommend Nick Velozo to the Selectmen for Associate Planning Board Member: Keven Desmarais; Second: Mark Rogers; Unanimously voted.

Chris October, area environmental manager for Republic Services and Allied waste approached the board to discuss the public hearing for their project on 9/17/13. He wanted to introduce the board to his organization and seek feedback related to making a presentation the following week. Mr. October provided a company handout. He was advised to be as prepared and specific as possible during the public hearing.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM