

Planning Board Minutes  
Ashfield Town Hall  
June 1, 2016

Present: Michael Fitzgerald (MF), Chair  
Lauren Preston-Wells (LPW)  
Alan Rice (AR)  
Meghan Bowen (MB), scribe

Absent: Ken Miller (KM)  
Jim Cutler (JC)

Guests: Doug Pease (DP)  
Cheryl Pease (CP)  
Doug Field (DF)

Meeting called to order at 7:40 PM.

1. Board reviewed minutes from May 18, 2016. LPW moved to accept minutes as written, AR seconded. All in favor, 3-0, motion carried.

2. Board discussed ANR of DP and CP, who want to parcel off portions of their property at 143 A-C Buckland Road in order that this portion can be sold to the owners of the Ashfield Lakehouse. This would constitute a new border, not a subdivision. D and CP gave Town Clerk Ann Dunne a check for \$50 for the ANR, but the fee is now \$75; they will cancel the first check and write a new one to give to the Town Clerk. AR moved to approve D and CP's ANR as presented, LPW seconded. All in favor, 3-0, motion carried.

3. Board discussed senior housing survey with DF, Chair of the Council of Aging. DF had a meeting regarding the survey with the Council, which approves of the survey as written. DF would like to take some surveys to distribute personally, and MB made a copy for him. LPW moved to accept the survey and plan to distribute it, AR seconded. All in favor, 3-0, motion carried.

4. AR nominated MF for Chair of the Planning Board, LPW seconded. All in favor, 3-0, motion carried.

5. MF nominated AR for Clerk of the Planning Board, LPW seconded. All in favor, 3-0, motion carried.

6. AR received an email from Kimberly Noake MacPhee regarding the MassDEP's 319 grant program to fund the South River Fluvial Erosion Hazard/River Corridor Protection Overlay District and Corridor Management Implementation plan, asking whether Ashfield was still interested in participating in the plan's implementation. The Town must submit a letter of interest by June 1. MF suggested that it was possible that the Conservation Commission or the Select Board had already sent a letter.

7. Board discussed logistics of the senior housing survey. Twenty five surveys will be sent to Nolan's Neighbor's, Ashfield Hardware, Belding Memorial Library, Town Hall, and Elmer's Store. AR will collect submitted surveys before the next meeting. MB will make 150 copies for the survey before Monday, June 6, for distribution to these locations.

8. AR reported that the next meeting of the ad hoc committee to update the Town's Open Space and Recreation Plan is on June 23.

9. MF reported that there will be a Special Town Meeting on Monday, June 13, and he suggested that the Board discuss its next topic of consideration. The Board determined that green subdivision and large scale development were topics that would be beneficial to discuss, and they were added to the agenda for the following meeting.

10. Board discussed agenda for the following meeting.

11. LPW moved to adjourn the meeting, AR seconded. All in favor, 3-0, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Meghan Bowen