

Town of Acton, Maine
Planning Board Meeting Minutes
Date: November 3, 2022

Members Present:

Chris Whitman (Chairman), Gavin Maloney (Vice-Chairman), Patricia Pearson, John Qua, Bevin Corbin

Also Present:

Jason Sevigny (Acton Code Enforcement Officer)

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes:

Gavin Maloney – Motion to accept the minutes from September 15, 2022 with the corrections.

John Qua – Second the Motion. Motion Passed – 5-0

Gavin Maloney – Motion to accept the minutes from October 6, 2022 with the corrections.

Patricia Pearson – Second the Motion. Motion Passed 3-0 (John Qua and Bevin Corbin abstained as they were not present at the October 6th, 2022 meeting).

Gavin Maloney – Motion to accept the minutes from August 18, 2022 and September 1, 2022.

John Qua – Second the motion. Motion Passed 5-0

New Business:

Aaron and Alyssa Wiswell: 60 Livingston-Goodwin Road. Map 117; Lot 054. Application for Greatest Practical Extent.

John Hutchins approached the Planning Board representing Aaron and Alyssa Wiswell for the review of their Application for Greatest Practical Extent. The Planning Board and Mr. Hutchins discussed the existing septic system and conditions that would need to be addressed around the age of the system and the location. The distance of the dwelling from the highwater mark of the lake and the footprint of the dwelling not changing in size were also discussed.

Gavin Maloney – Motion to approve the Application for Greatest Practical Extent for Aaron and Alyssa Wiswell, 60 Livingston-Goodwin Road. Map 117; Lot 054, with the condition that their septic system be evaluated by a licensed inspector.

John Qua – Second the motion. Motion passed 5-0

David Hebert: 55 Red Gate Lane. Map 119; Lot 005. Application for Conditional Use for RV and Boat Storage with the Possibility of Winterization and Detailing Services.

David Hebert approached the Planning Board with an updated site plan that showed distances and details requested by the Planning Board from a previous meeting. The Planning Board and Mr. Hebert discussed the addition of a spill kit to the plan, details around the area used for the winterization of boats and the installation of solar powered motion lights. The Planning Board also requested that Mr. Hebert provide a detailed description of the services that he will be providing at the site. The Planning Board continued with determining which Land Use the site would be classified as in the Acton Town Ordinances.

Mr. Hebert's site posed a unique situation for the Planning Board in the sense that it falls in both the rural and shoreland zoning. As a result, the Planning Board determined that it was necessary for Jason Sevigny (CEO) to reach out to an advisor for guidance on how to move forward. Jason Sevigny indicated that he would reach out to an advisor, Ben Smith of NorthStar, and have an answer for the next Planning Board Meeting on November 17, 2022.

Old Business: None

Pending projects:

Camp East Shore Drive (Camp Kita). 114 East Shore Drive. Map 147; Lot 048. Application for Conditional Use.

The remainder of the meeting the Planning Board held round table discussions on the guidelines around approving storage units, Conditional Use guidelines, solar panel fields and possible changes in the future to Town Ordinances.

Gavin Maloney – Motion to adjourn the Planning Board Meeting.

John Qua – Second the Motion. Motion Passed – 5-0