

Town of Belgrade
Planning Board

Meeting Minutes 3-21-2024

This meeting can be watched at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lnhHyaMHGWU>

Call to Order

A meeting of the Town of Belgrade Planning Board was held at The Belgrade Town Office at 990 Augusta Road Belgrade, ME 04917 on March 21, 2024, at 6:00 P.M.

Board members present: Craig Alexander, George Seel, Sara Languet, Peter Sargent, Nick Zaccaro, and Penny Morrell

In-person attendees: Code Enforcement Officer – Hans Rasmussen, and Bill Hudson representing Melvin & Brenda Blaisdell

New Business

- 1. Applicant:** Bill Hudson for David Mazur
Location: 313 Foster Point Road Map 34 Lot 004
Purpose: Rebuild Woodshed 8’x10’

Discussion: Questions on if application can be approved when original structure was in violation. The structure has been framed but not fully constructed. No previous permit was applied for, Mr. Hudson stated they didn’t know they needed one. Sara Languet questioned if they should visit the site to see it in person. Hans Rasmussen stated it was not an option as the site is a mess with fallen trees, large tree trunks, steep hills, as well as other debris and was treacherous. Images were available for the board to see. No permits were found in the file. Questions as to if it was grandfathered or not.

Decision: The board decided they would bring this case to the town attorney. The board received a motion from Craig Alexander to table the application for the next Planning Board meeting on April 4th, 2024, pending information from the town attorney. Motion was seconded by Peter Sargent and a vote of 5-0 in favor to table the application. Applicant will be informed of a response from the town attorney when it is received.

Old Business

1. Ordinance Changes

Discussion: Discussion of best management practices not currently being a part of the permit application process and that adding it to the ordinance would be difficult to do. Discussion of next steps for ordinances within multiple committees. A letter from Mr. Bradley requesting a representative from the Planning Board was received. He suggested Richard Baker and George Seel since they were the oldest members of the group. Sara Languet said they would need to decide and agree upon who will go to the meeting as representatives of the Planning Board. After some discussion of options for who would represent the Planning Board a decision was made.

Decision: Craig Alexander motioned for George Seel to represent the Planning Board at the Lakes and Natural Resource Committee meeting. Not all meetings are required. Peter Sargent seconded the motion. The board voted in favor 5-0.

1. Approve Previous Minutes 3/7/2024

Discussion: Correct name of Bill Martin. Change court to board. Change the name spelling of Sean to Shawn. Change public hearing to public informational meeting in 3 places. Change commission to legislature.

Decision: Craig Alexander motioned to approve the minutes as amended. George Seel seconded the motion. The board voted in favor 4-0 with Peter Sargent abstaining.

CEO Update

Discussion: None

Other Discussion

Discussion: George Seel; have current version of comprehensive plan land use district map on GIS because multiple ordinances refer to it.

People within the neighborhood of the new parking lot in the village spoke at a public hearing against opening on to the West Road due to traffic going too fast. Question of if an appeal was filed with the Board of Appeals. Hans said there is not an appeal that he knows of.

Adjournment

George Seel motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 P.M. Nick Zaccaro seconded the motion, and the board voted in favor 5-0.

Kelsey Libold

Secretary

Date of Approval