Planning Board Meeting Minutes – November 14, 2018

Attendees:

- Alan Pease
- Tricia Foster
- Jeanie Lindquist
- Terri Cantor

Absence: Jim, who may or may not be on vacation on a cruise in some water, somewhere...

Public Notice for ANR changes:

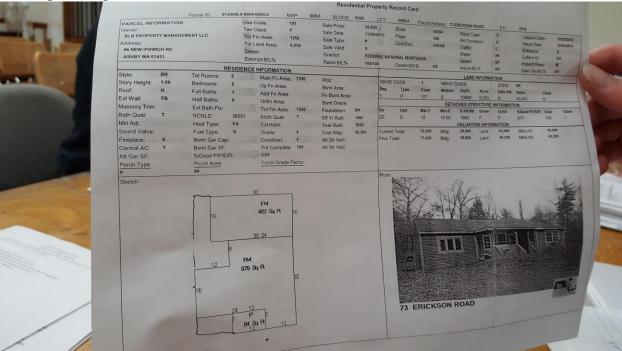
Notice was published with changes described in the email that Alan sent

Meeting Minutes:

- Alan moved to approve the minutes and Tricia seconded
- All in favor; no one opposed

Mike Bussell looking at building permit to rebuild an existing home:

- Pull down an existing house and rebuild a similar house (3 bedroom on 73 Erickson Rd)
- Potential change would be to square off the structure of the house to even it out on one side. This is a pre-existing nonconforming structure as it sits on ¼ acre of land.
- This will need to go to the ZBA for approval. If there are changes to the structure, such as changing the size or shape of the building on a non-conforming lot, then the request should go through the ZBA.



OSPR Letter:

- Jeanie moved to approve the letter and Tricia seconded it
- Motion carried by the remaining member; Alan abstained because he wrote it
- Jeanie to send a couple of very minor wording modifications to Laura

5G Wireless:

- Verizon provided a presentation on 5G plans to Mass planners regarding their approach to 5G deployment in Massachusetts towns
- Small equipment and antennas are to be used (placed on existing phone poles not normally requiring new/additional infrastructure)
- Intention is to provide support for wireless capabilities for smart appliances/vehicles, broadband application, etc...
- The unit would be smaller in size, about the size of a suitcase, on a pole, with an antenna at the top of the pole, and potentially a unit on the ground
- As the units are short-ranged, there would need to be more of these units than one would find for 3G for example
- There are test sites throughout the country at this time. As designs may change based on feedback, the board will await new information that comes out of these test beds.

Special Permits and Variances:

- ZBA and any other boards, cannot do anything that is not clearly defined in the by-laws
- Our by-law only states that any zoning request cannot be "detrimental to the neighborhood"
- We should revisit the special permits section (section 12.3) of the by-law
- Items that should be thought of include:
 - Environmental impacts
 - Noise, dust, odor, and other offside impact
 - Storm water run-off, erosion control
 - o Traffic
 - Lighting

Public Hearing:

Scheduled for 7:45 at the next meeting (November 28th)

Future Planning Board Meetings:

- December 12th, 2018
- January 9th, 2019 agenda for January 9th, 2019:
 - Planning Board Procedures (Tricia)

Meeting adjourned at 9:03pm.

Submitted by:

Terri Cantor