

Westmoreland Planning Board
August 17th, 2015
Meeting minutes

A. Call to Order, Seating Members

Present: Lauren Bressett, Bruce Smith, Steve Houle, Dawn Lincoln, Russ Austin, Jim Starkey, Mark Hayward.

Lauren Bressett called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

B. Review of Minutes: 07/20/2015

Dawn Lincoln made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Russ Austin second, motion passed.

C. Application/Hearing

1. 6:33 pm Continuation of Kristopher Walker amending current site plan for (Map U1 Lot 5A).

Kristopher Walker stated that his mother, Kyle & Terry Keith and Akbar Ashoury, the property owner, visited the site, but are still unsure where the boundaries are. Kyle Keith stated he contacted the original surveyor who verified that pins were set at the back corners and he was going to visit the site and locate the pins. Terry Keith stated they did talk with Akbar Ashoury in reference to a fence and/or visual buffer. Kristopher Walker stated he will waive the 65 day period the board is limited to in making its decision, so he has time to determine the boundaries and other details such as a buffer for abutters.

Lauren Bressett stated she feels the plat submitted is not an accurate representation of what exists and is planned.

Jim Starkey made a motion to continue the hearing, for the purpose of resolving boundaries and buffers to the next regular scheduled meeting on September 21st at 6:30 pm, Mark Hayward second, motion passed.

Lauren Bressett suggested to Kristopher Walker this situation needs to be dealt with more urgently as it has been dragging along for over two years now.

Some discussion ensued in reference to the property owner not being part of any of these discussions. It was noted that Akbar Ashoury signed a document stating Kristopher Walker could act on his behalf.

Jim Starkey suggested Alison Fissette should send Mr. Ashoury a letter suggesting he may want to attend the next meeting, as decisions regarding this site plan may have financial implications such as creating a visual buffer to shield abutters or other items deemed necessary.

D. New Business

Dave Hansel has resigned from the board, the Selectmen appointed Mark Hayward to the member position. The planning board still needs alternates; two would be good, any recommendations would be appreciated.

E. Old Business

1. Master plan update

Bruce Smith stated the Master plan is in final draft and board members will be receiving via email a copy to review. Board members decided to meet with the MP Committee either September 9th or 10th at 7: 00 pm to review. Bruce Smith will let board members know which date will work best for his committee.

2. Ordinance review

Board members reviewed the subdivision regulations, worked on defining boundary line/lot line adjustment, and modified a few items on the checklists and applications.

Bruce Smith made a motion to adjourn, Dawn Lincoln second, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Alison Fissette
Planning Board Clerk