

**Norton Planning Board Minutes of Meeting
For
JANUARY 22, 2013**

Call to Order

The January 22, 2013, meeting of the Norton Planning Board, held in the first floor Selectmen's Conference Room, was called to order at 7:20 P.M., by Mrs. Haracz, Chairman. Members Present: Mrs. Joanne Haracz, Chairman; Mr. David Miller, Vice-Chair; Mr. Patrick Daly; Mr. Joseph Fernandes; and Mr. Scott Nichols. Absent: Mr. George Burgess and Mr. Alec Rich. Also present was Mr. Charles Gabriel, Town Planner.

Report of the Planning Board

Mr. Daly said Mr. Rich communicated to him that the Red Mill Village sidewalk (on Newland Street) is pavement and not concrete.

Mr. Gabriel said he spoke to Mr. Eastridge of Red Mill Village/Thorndike Dave about this and he explained that section was not shown as concrete sidewalk on plan. Mr. Gabriel said it does not look that bad.

It was the consensus of the Board to take the agenda out of order so Mr. Knapp could speak.

Duane Knapp to review future water and sewer plans

Map of Norton was shown to Board explaining future water and sewer plans. Town is close to signing new IMA (Intermunicipal Agreement), with Mansfield and Foxboro, and he further explained plan.

Mr. Knapp also noted Water Commissioners are in negotiations with Wheaton College, and also talking to Wheaton about leasing some of their land.

Mr. Knapp said Norton has a failure rate of about 50% for Title V which is high and further explained.

Mr. Gabriel asked if Mr. Junior, associated with Ch 40B development, could hook in?

Mr. Knapp responded, yes, he could hook in. He believed Mr. Junior has been in contact with North Cottage regarding this, and this would be the same case for the other Ch 40B.

It was noted plant expansion to be paid for by users ; it would be "user-based".

Mr. Knapp discussed water projects. He noted a major problem with river crossing on Walker Street.

Mr. Knapp stated that there is an iron and manganese problem in Town, which is being worked on currently. A surface supply treatment is being looked into for certain wells and other two wells used for backup. \$300,000 for design; \$7M to build a plant was last figure he had.

Approval of Minutes

November 13, 2012:

MOTION was made by Mr. Daly to approve the Planning Board Minutes of Meeting, dated November 13, 2012 as amended. Second by Mr. Miller. Vote: All Members voted in the affirmative, except for Mr. Nichols who voted "present". MOTION CARRIES.

December 4, 2012:

MOTION was made by Mr. Fernandes to approve the Planning Board Minutes of Meeting, dated December 4, 2012, as written. Second by Mr. Nichols. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Report of the Town Planner

Nothing was discussed.

Planning Board Business and Policies

Future scheduled meetings of Planning Board to be held: February 5, 2013 and February 19, 2013. Mrs. Haracz may have a conflict with Feb. 19.

Also, meetings scheduled for March 5 and March 19, 2013.

Bills and Warrants

MOTION was made by Mr. Fernandes to approve Planning Board Bills and Warrants, dated January 22, 2013 in the amount of \$4,337.14. Second by Mr. Nichols. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Review and vote on Special Permit decision for John Waitkus

It was noted there was not a quorum of five members this evening . Need to hold a meeting on February 5th for vote. It was noted Mr. Burgess and Mr. Nichols cannot vote, and Mr. Rich is not present this evening.

Mr. Gabriel said the Board has 90 days and needs to make a decision at next meeting regarding John Waitkus matter. He asked Board to review decision prior to the next Planning Board meeting.

Mr. Gabriel said the Board will vote, no matter what, at next meeting and is hopeful for a quorum.

Mrs. Haracz asked Mr. Gabriel to remind members that a quorum is necessary for next meeting to vote.

Adjournment

**MOTION was made by Mr. Fernandes to Adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Second by Mr. Daly. Vote: Unanimous.
MOTION CARRIES.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

Janet A. Sweeney
Planning Board – Recording Secretary

Minutes Approved by Committee on: _____
(Date)

Signature: _____

Chairman: _____

Documents Reviewed/Distributed at Planning Board Meeting of January 22, 2013

- . Draft Planning Board Minutes of Meeting dated November 13, 2012 and December 4, 2012**

- . Planning Board Bills and Warrants, dated January 22, 2013 in the amount of \$4,337.14**

- . Map of Norton (“future water and sewer plans”) presented by Water and Sewer Superintendent**

- . Special Permit Decision for John Waitkus**