

APPROVED
MINUTES OF THE NEW CASTLE PLANNING BOARD
Wednesday, June 23rd, 2021 – 7:00 p.m. (Macomber Room)

Public Hearing for approval of a Conditional Use Permit for applicants Thomas Hammer and Deirdre Hammer Trusts, 49 Mainmast Circle, Map 9, Lot 18, for replacement of an existing structure, driveway reconfiguration, utility connections, grading, fill and associated landscaping within the 100 foot buffer of a Class A wetland.

Public Hearing for approval to amend Zoning Ordinance 5.2.8 – Recording of the Subdivision Plan, to change the responsible party for filing an approved subdivision plat at the Registry of Deeds from the Planning Board to the subdivider and correct the name of the County Department to “Registry” from “Register”.

Members Present: Darcy Horgan, Chair, Lorne Jones, Iain Moodie, Kate Murray, Bill Stewart.

Members Absent: Tom Hammer, Margaret Sofio.

Others Present: None.

Chair Horgan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Noting a quorum, Chair Horgan indicated that the voting members are herself, Lorne Jones, Iain Moodie, Kate Murray, and Bill Stewart.

1. Public Hearing for approval of a Conditional Use Permit for applicants Thomas Hammer and Deirdre Hammer Trusts, 49 Mainmast Circle, Map 9, Lot 18, for replacement of an existing structure, driveway reconfiguration, utility connections, grading, fill and associated landscaping within the 100 foot buffer of a Class A wetland.

Chair Horgan received a letter from the Hammers’ engineer, who requested to continue the case until the July Planning Board meeting in order to give the engineers more time to work on their renderings. Chair Horgan opened the public hearing at 7:04 p.m.

Mr. Stewart motioned to continue the Public Hearing for the proposal of a Conditional Use Permit for Thomas Hammer and Deirdre Hammer Trusts, 49 Mainmast Circle, Map 9, Lot 18, for replacement of an existing structure, driveway reconfiguration, utility connections, grading, fill and associated landscaping within the 100 foot buffer of a Class A wetland to the July 28, 2021 Planning Board meeting at the Macomber Room. Mr. Jones seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair Horgan closed the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

2. Public Hearing for approval to amend Zoning Ordinance 5.2.8 – Recording of the Subdivision Plan, to change the responsible party for filing an approved subdivision plat at the Registry of Deeds from the Planning Board to the subdivider and correct the name of the County Department to “Registry” from “Register”.

Chair Horgan explained that this is a housekeeping item and that the Planning Board has never been responsible for filing an approved subdivision plat at the Registry of Deeds.

Chair Horgan opened the public hearing at 7:08 p.m. Hearing no comments from the public, Chair Horgan closed the public hearing at 7:08 p.m. *Ms. Murray motioned to amend Zoning Ordinance 5.2.8 – Recording of the Subdivision Plan, to change the responsible party for filing an approved subdivision plat at the Registry of Deeds from the Planning Board to the subdivider and correct the name of the County Department to “Registry” from “Register”.* Mr. Moodie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Review and approve the minutes to the May 26, 2021 meeting of the Planning Board.

Ms. Murray moved to accept the minutes as written for the Planning Board meeting on May 26, 2021. Mr. Moodie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Old Business.

None.

5. New Business.

Chair Horgan stated that the next Planning Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 28, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Macomber Room.

The Planning Board discussed potential members of the Master Plan Committee and how the process will play out.

Mr. Stewart discussed that the Coast Guard property at the end of Ocean Road is being sold, as it is no longer needed by the Coast Guard. The property may be going up for auction as early as August. Board members discussed how it is in the best interest of the Town to take over the property and ensure that it does not get developed. *Mr. Stewart motioned for the Planning Board to send a letter to the State legislature in support of acquiring the property, pending legal review.* Ms. Murray seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Adjourn.

There being no further business, Mr. Stewart moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Murray seconded. The motion carried, unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Meghan Rumph
Recording Secretary