

PLANNING BOARD

Oct 20, 2022

MEMORIAL BUILDING

7:00 P.M.

Board Members Present: Tim Bray (chairman), Ken Jacques, Darrin Patten, Dan Saulnier, Mike Howard, John Trachy (alternate), Amy Lewis (Select Board ex-officio)

Also present: Chris Beaucher, Jennifer Roberts, Peter Lacaillade, Jack Hedges and Whit Smith

Chris Beaucher requested a consultation regarding a possible food truck business. Tim read the Planning Board Regulations on consultations and let Chris and the Board know that he would do the same prior to any consultation to ensure consistency. Chris presented to the Board that he has been an executive chef and had considered opening a restaurant though after the pandemic he has since changed his mind and is now considering a food truck to continue what he loves. He envisions visiting surrounding towns Sutton, Wilmot, and Andover, finding a safe location with adequate space for cars to pull off the road. Possible areas he has seen in Springfield would be along Rt 4A and the old fire station lot on Main St. He knows that he will need to get a NH State Peddlers license. Questions of where the truck would be parked overnight and what kind and where it would be loaded also if the food would be prepared in the truck or elsewhere. Also, would he be advertising with sandwich boards when he is parked. Chris replied that all food would be prepared within the truck and at this time he wasn't sure what type of food as he needed to determine what would have the best return on investment. Parking of the truck on his property is not feasible, he would most likely park it at a friend's house in a neighboring town. As far as advertising he would have signs on the truck. The Board suggested Chris reach out to NH DOT in Enfield to find out if there were any regulations regarding parking along a state road. They also felt that this type of business didn't have much to do with the Planning Board since there wasn't any activity on a lot in town. They suggested he speak to the Select Board. Chris thanked the Board and left the meeting.

STR checklist from the Fire Dept and Jack Hedges was reviewed. Questions about fire pits and the need for a burn permit. Darrin stated that a seasonal burn permit can be requested by the property owner.

Discussion of an annual inspection or just the initial and then each subsequent year the property owner would submit that they did a self-inspection of all items on the list. Agreement that all STR properties would be required to submit the self-inspection during a predetermined month to cut down on work for the Town Administrator. June was determined to be a good month. Discussion of what fee to charge for the initial inspection with the amount of \$150 agreed upon. Board requested that the Select Board give their opinion on that amount. Tamara will put the checklist on town letterhead and add a signature block for the property owner.

Dan moved to accept Jen Roberts as alternate to the Planning Board, Mike seconded Board approved, John and Darrin abstained. Tim welcomed Jen to the Board stating that since there

were now 2 alternates the Board would alternate between the two when a sitting member is absent.

Discussion of water testing for STR's and what type of test should be required and what the Board can and can't do with the results. John spoke to Rob Thorp who is the Superintendent for New London Springfield Water Precinct. He learned that what bacterial is an issue lead can also have an impact on infants much faster than previously thought. The Board determined that requiring a test for the 5 components, e. coli, total coliform, arsenic, lead and copper. If the test comes back with positive results the Board would recommend remediation unless the results are so bad that the Health Officer needs to be involved for the property owners safety.

Minutes of Sept meeting and work sessions Sept 20th, 29th, Oct 3rd, Oct 11th were reviewed, Mike moved to accept, Dan seconded Darrin abstained from the Oct 11th work session due to being absent otherwise all members approved.

Meeting adjourned 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tamara Butcher