

PLANNING BOARD

AUGUST 15, 2013

MEMORIAL BUILDING

7:00 P.M.

The following are to be considered draft minutes only until approved by the Board at their next meeting.

Members Present: Kevin Lee (Chair), Bryan O' Day, Mike Howard, Darrin Patten, and alternate Tamara Butcher.

Others Present: Mike McCrory, Rick Van-de Poll, George McCusker, Leigh Callaway, and Billy Huntoon

Review of July Minutes: Tamara made a motion to accept the minutes second by Bryan and unanimously approved

Literature and Correspondence: Bryan shared a new Law regarding variances and special exceptions that go into effect August 19th. There will be a two year expiration.

September 30th @DHMC from 5-8:30 there will be a community Forum. There will be panelists, climatologists, etc....food and beverages.

Continued Longley Hearing: Mike Howard made a motion to continue the Longley Hearing, second by Tamara and unanimously approved.

Wetland's Project: Rick Van-de Poll addressed the board stating that he has been through about 1/3rd of the town. He showed a map of where he has been. He has been taking notes on failing or undersized culverts. One of the questions he had asked the board to think about is where do we go from here and who is going to take it there. He addressed the board with some suggestions he made for changes. One of the first thing he wanted to discuss was why the size of the setback around McDaniel's marsh. Kevin explained that when they set that buffer that it was identified as a wildlife buffer vs. a wetland buffer. Mike Howard expressed that he feels that people are proud that we have it protected.

Rick also asked the question if the town has ever considered tax relief for restrictions because of buffers. Mike Howard states that our buffers only protect Wetlands over 10,000 feet. There was a lot of discussion around setback and buffers and the reasoning behind them. Rick feels that a default setback should be 50' and increase to 100' depending on slopes, forestry, etc.. (Wetlands)

Rick also feels that the Wetlands school day at KRHS is a great thing. He suggests Columbus Day weekend or a weekday if that works. There was a little discussion around possible dates.

Meeting adjourned @8:10 p.m.

Submitted by,

Susan Abair

