

Town of Bethany
Regular Planning Board Meeting
April 2, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Planning Board Members in Attendance:

Acting Chairman, Daniel Street	Linda Jackett,	Tim Leary
Ramon Cipriano	David Carli	
Secretary, Deborah Donnelly	Members Absent: James Phillips	

Town Officials in Attendance:

Town Councilman Walter Wenhold	Thomas Douglas, CEO/ZEO
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Other Attendees:

Douglas Heywood, Chris Krtanik, Douglas Sicheri

Thomas Douglas, CEO/ZEO informed the Board that Francis Brunner has given his resignation effective immediately due to retirement and will be moving out of the area and would no longer be able to fill his Chairman duties and that Daniel Street was asked to fill in as Acting Chairman until a new Chairman is selected.

Meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman, Street at 7:34 PM.

The minutes of the February 2015 Planning Board meeting were previously emailed to each board member for them to review. Note that we have no minutes from March due to not having a meeting. Acting Chairman Street asked if there were any questions and or corrections to the February minutes as received. A motion by David Carli was made to approve the February minutes as received, seconded by Tim Leary. Motion carried with all voting Aye!

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

Acting Chairman Street noted we had two applications on the table and then turned the floor over to T. Douglas, CEO/ZEO for review of both applications:

Heywood LS1501 – It was noted by Douglas that this Land Separation application meets all the criteria with the exception of the merger from the original separation in 2012 that still needs to be completed. With some discussion motion was made by David Carli to recommend a preliminary approval of LS1501 and that final approval would need to be done contingent upon the prior tax map merger that needs to be completed and survey done, seconded by Ramon Cipriano; motion carried with all voting Aye!

Sicheri AV1501 – It was noted by Douglas that this is an Area Variance Application of construction of a 40x50x13 Pole Barn. Mr. Sicheri explained his concerns of drainage and why the area chosen was really the only economic option for him to place the Barn in the location presented. The application has been sent to the County and has not heard anything from them. Questions were raised by Carli and Jackett as the location of the barn being too close to the road and would feel better if the distance off the road was the same as the house and or further back. After some discussion and consideration motion was made by Daniel Street that the currently presented application is Denied but with recommendation to the ZBA that with modification that if the barn was to be the same distance as the house is currently off the highway boundary that the Planning Board would at that time approve recommend approval of the application, seconded by Ramon Cipriano; motion carried with all voting Aye!

Acting Chairman Street asked if anyone had any further business and noted that there were none.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Ramon Cipriano to adjourn, seconded by Daniel Street; motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

The above meeting minutes constitute the writer's understanding of the items discussed, decisions/directives rendered, and follow-up required. Please contact the writer within five (5) days of the issue date with any corrections and/or additions hereto. Otherwise these minutes are accepted by all parties present to be accurate.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah Donnelly
Planning Board Secretary