Town of Turner, Maine Planning Board Minutes August 15, 2018

1 CALL TO ORDER

Called to order at 6:01 pm by Mr. Bill Bullard. Those Members present were Mr. Bill Bullard, Mr. Shirley Twitchell, Mr. Richard Lee, Mr. Kelvin Youland and Mr. Russell Pack. Those absent were Mr. Thomas Perkins and Mr. R. Edward Morris. Ms. Shelley Norton was absent, and CEO, Mr. Bob Boutin, were present.

2 PUBLIC HEARING

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Ms. Jennifer Gagnon addressed the board regarding building a facility for a motorcycle instructing class. She anticipates up to 12 motorcycles being used at a time in the outdoor parking lot. She said the building will used for instruction and teaching purposes only.

Mr. Brian Allen spoke concerning the proposal and stated he has no concern over the business being set up but is very concerned about accidents that could occur near the property. He stated that Conant Road is very difficult to navigate unless you are from the area.

Mr. Gard Twitchell stated that the corner on Conant road is very bad and dangerous. He drives truck and you have to be on the wrong side of the road in order to turn. He stated when the business park was set up there was land that should have been given to make the intersection better

Mr. Gard Allen attended the meeting back when the business park was first proposed and it was his understanding the corner was suppose to be fixed and that additional lots were not suppose to be developed unless the intersection was fixed. He believes that if the road was moved to the other side of the pole it would make the intersection work a lot better. He is also concerned that on the other side of the lot there is a spring on the back part of the lot. He is not sure how far back the building would go but he would hate to see the natural resource contaminated. There is enough water in the spring to last a long time and to supply to the town of Turner.

Ms. Twitchell asked how much land was there to build on the lot. Mr. Kurt Youland, current property owner stated there was 11.99 acres and that there is a 50 foot tree buffer and the building would be back 75 feet from the road

Ms. Twitchell questioned Mr. Kurt Youland about the land on the corner on Conant Road. He stated he currently owns the property and he said he could look into doing something about the corner and talk to the Town Manager if need be. Mr. Kurt Youland stated there are underground powerlines that would be a concern.

Mr. Gard Twitchell believes that the town should have never set up a subdivision plan and he believes that the Town should look into fixing the corner moving forward. Mr. Kurt Youland stated that he does subdivision plan and he does not feel that this plan should be penalized because of the corner.

3. Consideration of New Business

The board looked at possible Town Ordinances for the Town of Turner. The concerns about firearms and tame rite being used in the Town of Turner. Mr. Bullard stated that it would be up to the Board if

they would like to discuss further but he feels there really was no reason to continue the conversation at this time where the proper authorities have been notified about the previous issues and that the issue has gotten better at this time. This does not mean that in February or March prior to Town meeting this topic can not be taken up again.

Mr. Lee stated that Mr. Bullard phrased it very well and agreed with him

Mr. Pack is against an ordinance for a noise and he believes that the selectman or town should be the one to look into this issue not the Planning Board.

Ms. Shirley Twitchell is also opposed to a noise ordinance at this time.

The board voted unanimously against looking into a noise ordinance. (5 present, 2 absent)

VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

Mr. Bullard stated that there were 5 Board Members in attendance which constitutes a Quorum.

5. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Bob Boutin has received phone calls from out of State agencies regarding the gun shop Mr. Gustave opening a gun smith shop. Ms. Norton spoke with him in the last 2 months and that Mr. Gustave has not gone to the state Fire Marshall due to things coming up. Ms. Twitchell questioned if it was something the board was holding up or if Mr. Gustave has not followed through on the proper paperwork.

PLANNING BOARD MINUTES FROM JULY 11, 2018

Mr. Lee motioned to accept the July 11, 2018 minute as written and the motion was seconded Mr. Pack. The Board unanimously approved the same. (4 yes, 1 withstand, Ms. Twitchell did not attend the meeting on 7/11/18, 2 absent.

6. REPORTS

A. Planner Escrow

Mr. Boutin read the Planner Escrow. No action needed.

B. CEO Report

Mr. Boutin read the CEO Report.

C. Other

None.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

None.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

9 ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Lee made a motion for adjournment seconded by Mr. Pack, unanimously accepted. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by, Megan L. Ricker, Secretary.