

TOWN OF EPSOM
PLANNING BOARD
940 SUNCOOK VALLEY HIGHWAY
EPSOM TOWN OFFICES
FEBRUARY 26, 2020
6:30 PM

In Attendance: Kathy DesRoches, Chairman; Dan McGuire; Cheryl Gilpatrick, Selectmen's Representative; Betsy Bosiak, Alternate

Not in Attendance: Sharon Burnston; Mike Hoisington, Vice Chairman; Joe Harnois; Jay Hickey, Alternate

Other Attendees: Peter Arvanitis

Kathy opened the meeting at 6:40 PM.

Kathy appointed Betsy to sit in for Sharon who was not present.

Inquiry Request – Christopher Letourneau – In Home Business – Tax Map U 09, Lot 01-1

Mr. Letourneau noted he operates a distribution company for firearms. Previously he had a partner who is leaving the business searching for a new location. He is in the process of searching for a new location and obtaining his Federal Licenses.

Mr. Letourneau has spoken with the town office who told him to contact Jay. Jay suggested he complete an Inquiry Request to present to the Planning Board. He plans to have the distribution out of his house until he obtains a warehouse closer to or in Epsom.

Kathy noted a letter would be required from the property owner granting permission to have the business at the property. If a public hearing would be required was discussed.

Betsy noted a public hearing could be March 25. Dan asked how many deliveries per day. Mr. Letourneau indicated one per month.

Kathy asked who would contact the Police Department. Mr. Letourneau noted that the Police Department received copies of what he submitted to the FFL. It was noted that he should have the letter from his landlord and the Police Department before the public hearing.

Dan asked about a locked area for storage. Mr. Letourneau noted that he has a closet that he can put a locked metal door on.

Cheryl asked about State RSA's with Kathy noting there is one, RSA 159. Dan's main concern is this is an extra target for theft. Cheryl noted that the Police Chief reviews safety and security.

Kathy noted he could proceed for a public hearing.

Mr. Letourneau asked if he located a location could the public hearing be cancelled. It was discussed if the location was in Epsom, he would still have to have a public hearing.

Betsy noted the items that would be required for a public hearing and the dates by which she would require receiving the application.

Gauthier Drive

Cheryl noted the developer would like to have the current bond released and agree to future development be on hold. When the property is developed either a new owner or he would obtain a performance or maintenance bond for the road. Cheryl thought this was something that should be run by the attorneys. There are some items they are still waiting for. The developer's attorney asked if the Road Agent had any e-mails regarding the road, the Road Agent is checking on this.

Cheryl asked we could move forward and accept the road with the condition when further development occurred a maintenance bond would be required. There was a discussion regarding a maintenance bond. Kathy thought that we should discuss with the attorney.

Cheryl will discuss with the attorney. If the attorney agrees then Cheryl discussed the Board accepting the road.

Peter noted he is representing the developer. Peter's question was having a maintenance bond for two years and if the property is sold and developed with that developer having a bond on the road who would be responsible for repairs. There was further discussion regarding various bonds. Kathy noted that she is more concerned with the process rather than the developer.

Cheryl noted that a letter should be sent with the release of the first bond indicating that a bond would have to be in place when further development occurs on the development.

Kathy determined to wait to discuss the Hawkers Ordinance until more members are present.

The traffic count information was discussed with the Board choosing sites for 2020 counts. Betsy will obtain information from the Police Chief and submit to Regional Planning.

Administrative Session

Minutes

Minutes of February 12, 2020

The minutes of February 12, 2020 were reviewed and amended.

Cheryl motioned to approve the minutes of February 12, 2020 as amended, Dan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Dan noted that he was born in 1957 and that was the peak of the baby boomers. The point is there is still an increase coming for the next 10 years of baby boomers.

Cheryl verified that Matt Monahan would be coming to the next meeting.

Mail

There was no mail.

Old/New Business

Cheryl motioned to adjourn; Betsy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Kathy adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Betsy Bosiak
Recording Secretary