

Minutes

Pittsfield Planning Board

Meeting of January 20, 2021

The Pittsfield Planning Board met at 7:00 pm on January 20, 2021 at the Council Chambers at the Pittsfield Municipal Building, 112 Somerset Avenue, Pittsfield, Maine.

Members present were: **Tom Cote, Morris Pollard, Royce Sposato, Mark LaGross, Cory Verrill (by Zoom), Brent Newhouse and Simone Engelhardt.** Members Absent were: **Ron Watson.** Also present were; Harold Sherwood of Cianbro, Anita Verrill of Cianbro, Amy Young of Plymouth Engineering, Town Manager Kathryn Ruth and Building Inspector Steve Seekins.

1. Open Meeting/ Pledge of Allegiance

2. Authorize Associates to vote if members are absent.

Chair **Royce Sposato** authorized associate member **Cory Verrill** to vote due to **Ron Watson's** absence.

3. Adoption of the Minutes: of the Planning Board Meeting of December 14, 2020.

Motion by **Simone Engelhardt** and seconded by **Tom Cote** to accept the Planning Board Minutes of the December 14, 2020 meeting.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS AYE

4. Public Hearing: None

5. New Business:

- a.** Site Plan Review Application for the construction of a 12 spaces parking lot to the east of the existing Sebasticook Valley Federal Credit Union building at 505 Somerset Ave., Tax Map 15, Lot 49.

Amy Young of Plymouth Engineering explained the request and project. **Royce Sposato** went through the Site Plan Review. All was in order.

Motion by **Tom Cote** and seconded by **Mark LaGross** to accept the application pending State Storm Water approval.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS AYE

6 Old Business:

- a.** Cianbro's request for Traffic Directional Signs

Harold Sherwood explained the purpose of the signs and discussed the location of the signs. **Royce Sposato** went through each sign and the Planning Board voted on each sign individually to approve.

Steve Seekins advised that only signs placed by the State of Maine DOT are allowed in the Right-Of-Way of state-maintained roads.

The Board approved two additional signs (signs N & I.1). The Board then approved the balance of signs: A, C, E, G, D, H, I.2, J, K, and L. See attached lists, request & approval.

Motion by **Tom Cote** and seconded by **Mark LaGross** to accept the sign application.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS AYE

7 Discussion items:

- a. Continue to discuss the development of subdivisions and changes to the subdivision ordinance to encourage development.

Brent Newhouse discussed the pre-approvals of roads in subdivision with the intent to allow a developer to have an indication that the plan would be accepted by the town before spending a significant amount of money on a project.

8 Adjournment:

Discussion:

Motion by **Mark LaGross** and seconded by **Tom Cote** to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS AYE

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