

Minutes
Pittsfield Planning Board
Special Meeting
July 30, 2018

The Pittsfield Planning Board met on Monday, July 30, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of the Pittsfield Municipal Building, 112 Somerset Avenue, Pittsfield, Maine.

Members Present: Jan Laux, Vaughan Woodruff, Brent Newhouse, Simone Engelhardt, Royce Sposato, and Anna Bockis. Members absent: Ron Watson, Tom Cote, and Morris Pollard. Also, Present: From Plymouth Engineering were Keith Ewing and Amy Young, from Hancock Dennis Verrill, Kathryn Ruth, Town Manager and Building Inspector Steve Seekins.

1. Chair **Jan Laux** opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
2. **Public Hearing: None**
3. **New Business: None**
4. **Od Business:**
 - a. Site Plan Review Application for Hancock Lumber for a new boiler and boiler building at 407 Stinson Street Tax Map 22 Lot 6. Tabled by Royce Sposato at the July 9, 2018 meeting.

Motion by **Royce Sposato** and seconded by **Brent Newhouse** to remove item a. from the table.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS AYE

Chair **Jan Laux** opened the discussion on Hancock Lumber's Site Plan Review Application by reading the draft minutes of the July 30, 2018 meeting. He noted that the board decided at that meeting that a public hearing or site visit was not needed. Steve Seekins noted the affirmation statement, the correct fee, the flood plain location, information has been received. Jan Laux noted that because the needed information was not provided and neither the applicant or his agent was at the previous meeting it was decided to table the application. Dennis Verrill of Hancock Lumber apologized for missing the previous meeting and explained the proposed project. He stated they are going to keep the existing boiler and add a new one. This will reduce the emission as it will allow the existing boiler to run at lower capacity. He advised that Maine DEP is on board with this and have stated they would approve the Air Emission License Amendment Application. Dennis stated they will only run the new boiler in warmer months and both the old boiler and the new boiler will run in the colder months. **Anna Bockis** question if burning oil or coal would be cleaner. Dennis Verrill advised that they would burn sawdust and tree products and these are considered cleaner. Dennis stated the DEP advised to go ahead and purchase the boiler. Dennis stated the new system will not produce the puffs of smoke that the neighbors have complained about. **Vaughan Woodruff** reviewed the list of items that were lacking at last meeting and Steve Seekins stated those items have been provided. Dennis Verrill advised the wood product they burn is a bi-product of their operation. Vaughan Woodruff noted the approval is really only for building the houses the new boiler.

Motion by **Simone Engelhardt** seconded by **Royce Sposato** to approve the Site Plan Review Application of Hancock Lumber for a new boiler building.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS AYE (Brent Newhouse abstained)

5. Adjournment:

Motion by **Vaughan Woodruff** and seconded by **Brent Newhouse** that the meeting be adjourned.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS AYE

Respectfully submitted by: Steve Seekins, Building Inspector