

Mechanic Falls Planning Board

August 19, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Walter Goss
Paula Stotts
Forrest Martin
Lou Annance

Lou Goulet
Jeremy Klar-Absent
Paula Bolduc-Late Arrival (6:50)

STAFF PRESENT:

Fred Collins – Code Enforcement Officer Julie Ward- Interim Town Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT:

Eriks Petersons-Sun Journal

The meeting was called to order at 6:40pm with Board Members listed above present. All stood to pledge the flag.

Lou Annance nominated Lou Goulet to be the Chair for Planning Board, seconded by Walter Goss, all in favor, so voted.

Lou Annance nominated Walter Goss to be Vice Chair for Planning Board, seconded by Forrest Martin, all in favor, so voted.

Meeting Minutes for June 17, 2019 were reviewed. Lou Goulet motioned to accept minutes modified to include "Review application for full explanation seconded by Lou Annance and voted unanimously to accept.

There was a discussion on whether or not Council Chair Cathy Fifield should serve as liaison for the Planning Board due to her Real Estate business being a conflict of interest. Lou Goulet wanted to know if there were minutes from a council meeting removing her from the Planning Board when Town Manager John Hawley was here. Code Enforcement Officer Fred Collins Jr stated that he had done some research and the statute states that a municipal official will have to abstain if there is a personal interest in the matter. It would be rare that a liaison would have to step into vote. Code Enforcement Officer Fred Collins Jr also recommended tabling the discussion until the recall vote of Council members concluded.

Paula Bolduc motioned to put it back on the council for a liaison and that planning board cannot change the date and time of meetings, seconded by Lou Goulet, all in favor so voted.

Paula Stotts mentioned the Fireworks Ordinance to be reviewed by the Planning Board and CEO Fred Collins Jr said he would gather information that is needed and have it ready for the next meeting.

Lou Annance motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Lou Goulet, all in favor, was unanimous.

Meeting Adjourned 7:00pm