

October 30, 2017      7:00PM      Selectmen's Meeting

Present: Don Chabon, Chuck Cardillo, Terry Flynn, Danielle Fillio

Don welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

Don said that tomorrow is Halloween; Trick or Treat from 5:00PM to 7:00PM and announced that the Halloween parade was a wonderful event and there was great turnout. He thanked the Chamber of Commerce, the Library, the Red Lion Inn, The Police Department and the Fire Department. He noted that the Ice Glen walk had been cancelled due to trail wash out because of the weather.

Don noted some upcoming Select Board discussions.

One is the intersection issue and he said that there had been another recent accident bringing the total to ten this year. Don would like to have a meeting regarding the intersection in early December. The feedback has been both in favor and against the traffic circle. One alternative suggested is more police intervention. Don discussed this with Chief Fennelly and they agreed to see what could be done and Darrell issued the directive for more police presence downtown. Don stated that Darrell is a strong chief and operates independently but is very cooperative. Some comments about lack of police presence will also be discussed in December. There is a possibility that it could affect the dog and cat fountain and Don suggested temporarily putting the fountain committee on hold for the time being. Terry disagreed and felt that it should be left up to the fountain committee and felt that the entire circle was not a good idea and other options should be explored.

Chuck suggested looking at all options.

Don would like to discuss at a Selectmen's meeting for discussion and a Town meeting vote to follow. He said that something needs to be done.

Terry felt that there was no need for a Town meeting to make the decision if another option is decided on.

Terry said that in the past there was heavier traffic all year long and more police presence in the past.

Don concluded there will be a meeting in December to discuss the topic.

Next Don stated that Chris Marsden, the Facilities Manager has a report and will attend the Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Don also had some questions for the Historic Preservation Committee and asked to see if they could come in on the 15<sup>th</sup> also if possible.

Don said that he would also like a report from the Zoning Bylaw Review Committee and was anticipating a request to have possible inclusion of the business district.

Donn said that the task force formed on Stockbridge Non-Profits (Pilot Program) is moving along and they should have a report in December or after the first of the year, a Select Board meeting on the topic and something at the Town Meeting.

He said that they are also looking a Town Business Economic Task Force which is in the early stages and some interested participants have come forward and will hopefully get something together after the first of the year.

Don briefly mentioned the Town's population and that based on the Visioning Report he was looking to start a Stockbridge initiative on population growth with a focus on younger adults. He hopes to have a draft by mid-November for everyone's review and comment.

Don said that he would like to add the discussion of the negotiations of strategy with unions to the Executive Sessions meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

Don would also like to request that they meet with the Town's three School Committee representatives on a Monday night for updates.

Don announced that on November 6<sup>th</sup> they will discuss the combining of the Collector and Treasurer positions and the appointment of the interim Collector in light of the factor that Nancy Socha is retiring. Terry suggested to not move ahead of themselves before seeing how it might work first and Don said that they do need to move forward quickly.

Next on the agenda was discussion on the Highway garage and the Talbot Center. Danielle was speaking with Mike Kulig to get different scenarios and pricing.

Don announced that the Lake draw down is continuing as usual, the dredging project is progressing, employee evaluations after the first of the year, and they are expecting a Special Town Meeting in January; hopefully December.

Next Don made a motion to open the Special Permit hearing for Harriett and Melvin Warshaw for property located at 5 Train Hill Road and to waive the reading of the notice as published in the Berkshire Eagle and to incorporate it into the minutes.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Selectmen, acting as a Special Permit Granting Authority, will hold a public hearing at the Stockbridge Town Offices, at 7:00 p.m. on Monday October 30, 2017 to consider the application of Harriet and Melvin Warshaw for property located at 5 Train Hill Road. The applicant is requesting authorization, pursuant to Section 6.1.2. of the Zoning Bylaws to allow the extension, alteration reconstruction or change of use of a nonconforming single-family dwelling. The property is in an R-C zone.

The application is filed in the Town Clerk's Office and the Selectmen's Office. The application can be reviewed in either office during normal business hours.

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Christine Krause, Christine Krause Design Studios, Inc., said that they are proposing a screen porch off of the house. They are within a few feet of the property line, over what the bylaw allows and are therefore asking for a Special Permit to extend the current non-conformity. They will be more non-conforming by 250 square feet, encroaching on the street side. The addition will be 12.5 feet from the street. The Board had no issues with the application and no public comments.

Don made the motion to close the hearing. Chuck seconded; all were in favor. Don made the motion to approve the application as presented based on the finding that the proposed alterations are not substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

With no further business Don made a motion to adjourn. Chuck seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.