

STOCKBRIDGE SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, February 27, 2020
6:30 p.m.
TOWN OFFICES, 50 MAIN STREET

Present:

Terry Flynn, Chuck Cardillo, Roxanne McCaffrey and Mark Webber

Call to Order:

Terry called the meeting to order.

Agenda:

The first item on the agenda was the continuation of Special Permit Hearing for Andrew Eisen & Barbara-Laura Linder for property located at 20 Beachwood Drive.

Attorney Jeffrey Lynch spoke on behalf of the applicant. The owners of the property hired Enrico Hinz to do a remodel of the existing cottage. After beginning the project, the builder ran into conditions where the house could not be saved. The home will be taken down and will be rebuilt on the existing foundation and will not be creating any new non conformities. The applicant received approval from the Conservation Commission; which included the removal of and addition of some trees.

With no one attending wishing to comment, Terry made a motion that the Board approve the special permit for Andrew Eisen & Barbara-Laura Linder for property located at 20 Beachwood Drive. Roxanne seconded; all were in favor.

Next was the continuation of Special Permit Hearing for Jane Iredale for property located at 106 Interlaken Road.

Attorney Vicki Donohue presented the project along with Brent White from White Engineering. The owner was asking for an amendment to the special permit granted in March of 2019. At the time approved, it was for construction of a two-story house with the condition of the removal of a kitchen from the adjoining structure be removed. Now the house design has been finalized as well as the location. It has been changed to a one-story home. Prior to this meeting they had been approved for a curb cut, approval in November by the Conservation Commission, a septic system approval was issued in November by Tri-Town, a special permit for construction in the lake and pond overlay district was approved by the Planning Board at their January 21st meeting and the storm water management permit was approved by the Conservation Commission on January 28th. Ms. Donohue also handed out and reviewed a revised supplement of dimensional requirements for the project. With all requirements being met, they are looking for findings on this amendment required und 6.1.2 of the bylaw; with the provision of having the finding that the proposed house will not be in greater non conformity with open space yard or off street parking requirements and as shown on the dimensional table, within all the requirements, and there are no off street parking requirements for single family homes. The site plan shows there is ample parking for the proposed home on the lot. The second finding is that the house will not be substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing non-conforming

structure use. Specifically, construction of a single-family house in this R-4 district is by right and is in keeping with the neighborhood. Roxanne questioned whether the berms on the road side were temporary or permanent and response was that they were permanent. Attorney Donohue gave an overview of the plans for native plantings.

Tom Stokes, 51 Interlaken Road, spoke as a neighbor and on behalf of direct abutters, John and Rebecca Bent. Tom's concerns were that the property provides one of the only views of the lake on that side, that this view would be blocked and that the project will change the character of the neighborhood. He urged that the Board accept the following: moving the footprint back to the original southerly footprint, that the Board have a site visit, conduct a balloon test to get a sense of the building height, and the provision that the house be painted a neutral color.

Richard Jackson, abutter to the property asked if the old boathouse and camp building were to remain and they are. His second questioned why the 25-foot shift to the north of the house? Attorney Donohue along with Mr. White reviewed the process in detail and stated that the shift was needed to accommodate the septic system and would also allow the house to be in more sunlight. Mr. White presented photos showing before and after views and stated that the work done at this point has improved the view of the lake.

Mr. Stokes again spoke and stated that while he appreciated the efforts they were making to maintain the view shed, he contradicted Mr. White's comment that they would be improving the view shed. The Board was not in favor of putting conditions on the amendment at this time. For the record, Terry read the letter submitted by Jeremy Yudkin.

Terry made a motion that the Board amend the special permit for the Jane Iredale for property located at 106 Interlaken Road as presented tonight given the findings of 6.1.2 and 6.3.6 of the Town Bylaw. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

Next item on the agenda was to discuss having a Select Board member to be a representative on the Stockbridge Bowl Association. Chuck and Terry felt that they should wait to see how things move forward with the newly formed Stewardship Commission.

Next was an update on the Fountain Committee by members Bob Jones and Carl Sprague. Bob gave an overview on the history and work done so far on the Cat and Dog Fountain and the Horse Trough. They hired a consultant who put together a preliminary plan for re-doing the pumps and a recirculation system for both. Currently the water just flows in from the Town water system and flows back out. They are now at a point to put together an RFP, have meet with both Mike Buffoni and Mark Webber, and will be meeting with Mark Volk for Foresight tomorrow and hope that he will help put together an RFP with Mark Webber. Once pumps are in place, they will hopefully get back an original affect. The restoration of the cat and dog structure is in process and will follow; the original fountain is currently in place. They currently do not have a time frame but will hopefully have more answers after meeting with Mark Volk.

Next discussed was the VHB design on the two intersections; the Red lion Inn and the Fire station intersections. Roxanne said that they have come up with designs and next would be to schedule a public information session and have the engineer come in and give a full presentation of the various plans. They feel that one is very feasible but there are five concepts

per intersection. March 18th, 23rd, 25th are possible dates. It was decided that March 18th would be the date.

Next Mark handed out copies of the draft FY21 operating budget to date. With that Mark would like to schedule another meeting on March 5th meeting to discuss this topic. Chuck suggested 7:30 a.m. and it was agreed upon.

Next was a gym use request for a Waldorf School senior project and it was asked to waive the rental cost of using the gym; \$75.00. Terry made a motion that the Board waive the fee for the Waldorf project that has been proposed. Chuck seconded; all were in agreement.

Mark said that the auction for 6 Castle Hill Road property was well attended with ten registered bidders but the bid stalled at \$44,000. Mark, Karen and the auctioneer felt that the bid was too low. The land is assessed at \$128,100. It is a fully confirming building lot with Town water and sewer. The house on the property has to be taken down. The auctioneer's recommendation was to continue the auction for 30 days and try it again.

Roxanne announced that Memorial Day events in Stockbridge are on Monday, May 25th: 11 a.m. is the cemetery ceremony, 12:15 p.m. is the parade, 12:45 p.m. is the memorial program to be followed by the community pot luck picnic.

The Memorial Day committee is also looking for additional volunteers and Veterans.

Public Comment:

Gary Pitney, Church Street, asked the Board to discuss what their thoughts were on voting yes to the PCB agreement at an upcoming meeting. The Board said that they would put it on an agenda.

Mark said that each year he would like to close out the Warrant to articles on April 10th. The Board agreed.

Adjournment:

With no further business, Terry adjourned the meeting.