



**Stratham Planning Board
Meeting Minutes
January 31, 2018
Municipal Center, Selectmen's Meeting Room
10 Bunker Hill Avenue
Time: 7:00 PM**

Members Present: Bob Baskerville, Chairman
Mike Houghton, Selectmen's Representative
Jameson Paine, Vice Chairman
Tom House, Secretary
David Canada, Member
Nancy Ober, Alternate
Robert Roseen, Alternate

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Tavis Austin, Town Planner

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The Chairman took roll.

2. Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes

a. January 17, 2018

Mr. Roseen requested to correct the word "retention" to "bio-retention" stated on Page 3, Line 5. Mr. House requested a correction to remove the extra word "is" on Page 2, Line 88. Mr. Paine made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of January 17, 2018 incorporating the changes stated above. Mr. House seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Hearing

- a. 2018 Zoning Amendment - Proposed Town Warrant Article –Telecommunication Facilities** - To see if the Town will amend Section XIX, Telecommunication Facilities by replacing said section in its entirety with revised language, to further clarify the permitting requirements and procedures for Telecommunications Facilities.

Mr. Austin stated the packet before the board is the same information which was reviewed at the January 17, 2018 meeting in the compare and contrast format suggested by Mr. Roseen. The black text represents the current ordinance as written and the red text are the proposed changes which is the draft from legal counsel. Staff stated the planning board does not have jurisdiction over antennas or co-locations, but does include substantial modifications and new telecommunications facilities, which is state and federal law.

Mr. Houghton made a motion to open the public hearing for comments. Mr. Paine seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Paine stated the changes to the regulations are a betterment to what is currently in place. Ceyda Yalsinkaya, 3 Bittersweet Lane, stated the proposed changes are a step in the right direction.

Mr. House made a motion to close the public hearing. Mr. Houghton seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Houghton made a motion to approve the revised Zoning Amendment, Section XIX, and Telecommunication Facilities to be placed on the Town Warrant with unanimous support by the planning board. Mr. Paine seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Miscellaneous

Mr. Austin stated the third party soils review has been completed with regard to 8 Whittaker Subdivision and the third party engineering reviewer has indicated the review is likely to be done by the 10-day prior to February 21, 2018 meeting in which the public hearing is continued to. Mr. Austin asked the board for a head count of attendance at the February 21, 2018 hearing. Three board members indicated they would be in attendance. Mr. Austin asked the planning board if their opinion that a three-member board would be appropriate potential conclusion to this project's review. Mr. House stated no; Mr. Canada stated he will not be able to attend due to a prior commitment; Mr. Baskerville also will not be in attendance due to a prior commitment. Mr. Baskerville suggested cancelling the meeting. Mr. Austin stated the hearing was continued to a date specific.

Mr. Canada motioned to cancel the meeting for February 21, 2018 due to lack of board members availability with the renote at town expense. Mr. House seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Austin stated Nancy Ober's position expires and she will be retiring as a member of the board as of March 1, 2018.

Mr. Austin stated the Master Plan RFP submittal deadline is Friday, February 2, 2018 and since the February 21, 2018 meeting has been cancelled, requested the planning board members send any Coastal Chapter comments to him as soon as possible for the meeting scheduled with the Conservation Commission on February 14, 2018.

92 **5. Adjournment.**

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94 Mr. Paine made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 pm. Mr. House seconded the
95 motion. Motion carried unanimously.