Planning Board Meeting

August 26, 2024

7:00 PM

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Board members Carol Goode, Jim Madgey, Keisha Garnett, John Bonanno, and Paul Henninger (Zoom) present. Dustin Bachelder unable to attend. Guy Lehouillier and Todd Goselin also in attendance.

Meeting opened at 7PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board voted in Jim Madgey as a full member for the meeting in Dustin's absence.

Board approved minutes from July 26th, John abstained from voting on them due to his absence of that meeting.

Todd Goselin was present on behalf of his parents, Craig and Jennifer Goselin, who just obtained ownership of a 14-acre parcel on South Hiram Road located on Tax Map R01 Lot 26-A. The Ossipee River abuts the property, which only allows them to build on a certain part of the property. Craig and Jennifer intend to build a dwelling and garage on the property, which they are meeting with the Saco River Corridor Commission about on Wednesday, August 28th. Todd explained that due to the topography of the land and the location of the river, the location of the driveway would need to be within roughly 55' of the high-water line of the river. Because of this being less than the 75' requirement that is stated in article 15H of the Town of Hiram's Shoreland Zoning Ordinance, the owner can request permission from the Planning Board to place the driveway there, if it does not go closer than 50' of the high-water line. Todd explained that it is only a 20' section of the driveway that gets that close, the rest exceeds 75' from the high-water line. The Saco River Corridor Commission did not see any issues with it; however, this circumstance is not within their jurisdiction, therefore it is up to the Planning Board to decide. The board voted unanimously to approve the driveway being placed there. They would like the property owner to follow erosion control measures as stated in the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance.

No further discussion and there is no need for another meeting to be scheduled at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Emma Quellette