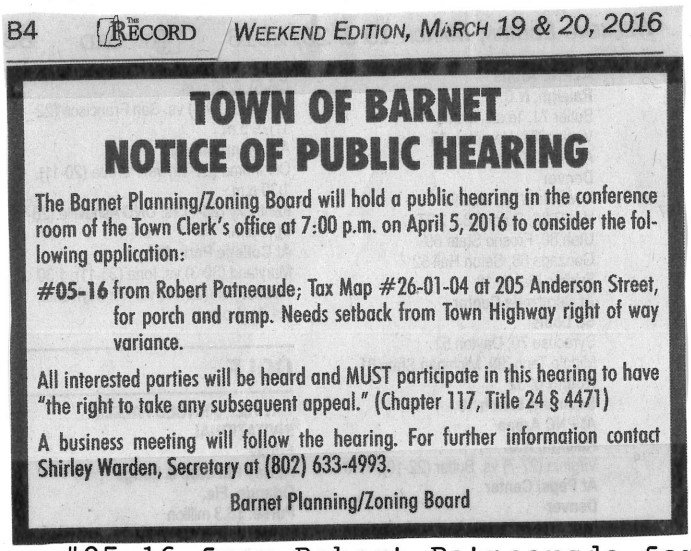
Those present in the conference room of the Town Clerk's office for the 7 p.m. meeting were Board Members, Ben Adams, William Biddle, Gary Briggs, Kathleen Crown, Bruce Denio, Dennis McLam and Shane Stevenson. (Jonathan Carpenter has notified the Secretary that he was ill and would not attend.); Secretary, Shirley Warden; Applicant, Robert Patneaude and Resident Mark Bowen.

Chairman, McLam called the public hearing to order at 7:05 p.m. and read the notice as posted and appeared in the March 19-20,2016 issue of THE CALEDONIAN RECORD and as follows;



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TOWN OF BARNET
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Barnet Planning/Zoning Board will hold a public hearing in the conference room of the Town Clerk's office at 7:00 p.m. on April 5, 2016 to consider the following application:

#05-16 from Robert Patneaude; Tax Map #26-01-04 at 205 Anderson Street, for porch and ramp. Needs setback from Town Highway right of way variance.

All interested parties will be heard and MUST participate in this hearing to have "the right to take any subsequent appeal." (Chapter 117, Title 24 § 4471)

A business meeting will follow the hearing. For further information contact Shirley Warden, Secretary at (802) 633-4993.

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Application #05-16 from Robert Patneausde for a porch/ramp and deck between his house and garage at 205 Anderson Street, tax map # 26-01-04.

Warden reported that she had contacted Sacha Pealer CFM the flood hazard area development regional flood plain Manager, because the FIMA map and River Corridor map are not clear if the construction is in the flood areas. She felt that it was higher and o.k..

Mr. Patneaude confirmed that the new structures are no closer to the road than the existing house.

Briggs moved to approve the construction as on the application, finding it will not be any closer to the road than the house and will not be in the flood hazard area. Biddle seconded and all voted yes to approve the construction.

Mark Bowen appeared to talk about the issue of Towns having the proper wording in the Town Plan to control the siting of commercial solar collectors. He pointed out that laws have been changing and this would give the Town a say in the matter.

Warden noted that they have updated the Town Plan twice in the past two years and it should be good 5 years and there is a real need to get the Bylaws so that they meet the State laws. The currant zoning ordinance was last up dated in 1997 and there have been a lot of changes in the State laws. She does however agree that the solar issue should be addressed and may be added to the Bylaw.

Warden gave the correspondence as notice from St. Johnsbury Planning Commission that they are adding a definition for " commercial event venue" to their By-Law, she wondered if this could be used as a starting place for the R V proplem; there was also notice that SunDo Society, 1347 Kitchell Hill has filed a project Review sheet for construction on their site, she also had the April 2016 copy of the VLCT news which had a good article on the solar issue.

There was a discussion of how to proceed with the ByLaw update, but no plans were made.

It was reported that Pierce plans to be back the first of May.

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Shirley Warden

Shirley Warden, Secretary
Barnet Planning/Zoning Board

approved as presented
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