

AUGUST 5, 2020 BARNET PLANNING/ZONING BOARD MINUTES page 1 of 2

Those present in the Barnet Fire Station for the 7:30 p.m. meeting were Board Members: Benjamin Adams, William Biddle, Mark Bowen, Dakota Butterfield, & Dennis McLam; Secretary, Shirley Warden and Zachary Manigione.

Trent Roy & Karen Stark sent word they could not attend because of work. There was no word from Bruce Denio.

Chairman, Biddle called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. and introduced Zachary Manigione as a prospective new member to the Board. Then stated a discussion of the Boards functions; preparing the Town Plan and Zoning Bylaws for adoption and meeting once a month, as needed to grant conditional uses and waiver or variances, including planned unit developments.

Bowen moved to send Zachary Manigione's name to the Select Board as a candidate for the opening created on July 1, 2020.

Butterfield seconded and all voted to approve.

The election of officer for the year was held with Adams nominated for Chairman, McLam for Vice Chairman and Warden for Secretary. All were approved.

There was a discussion of the September meeting. It was decided to meet at the Barnet Fire Station on September 2, 2020 at 7:30p.m. There will have to be permanent arrangements for the future.

The minutes for July 8, were discussed. Bowen felt that his statement about his motion for Permit #07-20 was not as he intended. Butterfield said it was there. He then said that he had contacted Town Attorney, Steve Adler and was told the minutes could be changed up to a year. Adams said that any one could not wait a year for construction to start.

McLam said that he also had talked to Mr. Adler and the only way to change the permit was to hold a new hearing, properly warned, as the 30 day appeal period has expired, and the permit is good for two years.

Bowen ask to vote to change the minutes. Adams noted that he had abstained from the original vote with a possible conflict of interest he should not vote and there were only 5 members present, so it would be a no vote.

It was decided to find out the process to change a Zoning permit. Warden pointed out that Leah Benedict had sent an e-mail with correction to the July 8, 2020 minutes. upon review Warden found indeed they were incorrect and something had been left out, so she corrected the first page and added the second page to the draft minutes. This also corrected a mistake on page one paragraph 5 of the July 23, 2020 to read "the table saw her husband ran was in the barn furthest from the Town Hall and it could be heard out side the Town Hall."

Butterfield moved to approve the minutes with the corrections Warden had made to the draft minutes. McLam seconded and all voted to approve the August 5, 2020 minutes as corrected.

Warden gave the correspondence: a number of e-mails from the Benedicts concerning permit #07-20 and the minutes; e-mail from Garrett Fish, from FEMA, concerning Laura Barrett's lot between the Passumpsic River and Route 5 south of County Hill. The Baretts want to know if they can build a house there; and from the U. S. Postal Service the regulations for placement of mail boxes in multi-units buildings and planned unit developments. Butterfield presented some <sup>PH</sup>grants of how she feels Zoning works. She also <sup>said</sup>with the number of new members it would be helpful if Warden could have some workshop type meetings, on a different time than the regular meetings.

Warden said she has some old paper work from old workshops she has attended, but maybe someone like Alison Low could help, and she will contact her.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m..

*Shirley Warden*  
 Shirley Warden, Secretary  
 Barnet Planning/Zoning Board.

*Approved  
 Minutes 9-2-20  
 9-2-20 Corrected  
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