

Town of Sumner - Planning Board minutes
September 1, 2020 6:30 pm via Zoom

Members Present: James McCarthy, Larry O'Rourke, Don Berry, John Allen, CEO Fred Collins, Office staff Sherry Sullivan, and secretary to the Planning Board Susan Strout

Public Present: none

The minutes from the meeting on August 18, 2020 were read and approved with a motion by Berry, seconded by O'Rourke and voted.

Open Session: none

CEO/LPI Report: Fred Collins

Collins provided an update report on a list of field visits he had conducted.

1. Tim Garrett, 259 Gammon Rd

No Building is being constructed; however, he was replacing deck boards. He also has installed a canvas cover /greenhouse to grow pot. He did not have permit. I asked him to request at the town office or print online for BN.

2. Andrews Road

Checked for addition. I did find an old camp that appeared to have a rebuilt front porch, no addition.

3. 16 Estes Rd

Shed too close to road. Owner was outside and I asked him to move inside the property to meet setbacks He agreed and was not happy.

4. Cottage Road.

I located two separate lots that had some trees that had been cut. The first one trees were cut for future garage and parking. All well beyond the 100 ft setback front the high-water mark.

The last lot (property owner is Paul Cox) had cleared, again well behind the 100 ft high water mark. His plan is for a septic system.

A State Forester stopped and was questioning the contractor that was clearing for the future garage and his name was Bill Buckner, I called him and left a message to return my call if he felt that there was any violations. He did not call back.

5. Upper Sumner Hill.

I was asked to check on addition. did not visually see any addition work. I would need address.

However, I did see several 6 x 6 PT stacked at the very last home that a may be for retainer wall???

Strout asked if the previous junkyard, 144 Upper Sumner Hill, was a problem again. Collins said there was a boat and a car but he did not see trash or car parts.

Forms, Reports, Correspondence:

Non-compliance letters served to Hart property owners. Papers were served by the Oxford County Sheriff's Office on August 13 and August 14. Collins called today only to voicemail with no call back.

Trailer is still on property. 14 days have passed.

O'Rourke made a motion for the Planning Board to make a recommendation to the Select Board that the fine be

\$100/day for 10 days

\$200/day for 10 days

\$300/day for 10 days

With the fees beginning on **August 29**

The motion was seconded by Berry and so voted.

Collins recommends that an attorney is consulted. He also said the maximum value that can go to a civil case.

Building Notifications:

Troy Eastman, 90 Tuell Hill Road, R12-14A, garage

Approved with a motion by Berry, seconded by O'Rourke and voted

Angelo Camano, 85 Hadley Rd, R11-09, seasonal residence

Approved with a motion by O'Rourke, seconded by Berry and voted.

New Business:

Old Business:

O'Rourke asked if there had been an invoice received from Andrew Wickson for his Port-a-Potty.

Nothing has been received. Collins will follow up.

O'Rourke made the motion to move the discussion of septic compliance letter and Occupancy permit which was seconded by Berry and so voted.

Sample template letter for septic/gray water

Occupancy Permit discussion with example from Collins and article from O'Rourke

Comments from Austin

O'Rourke shared that Gov Mills has created the Maine Climate Commission with 6 sub-groups.

MUBEC is being examined in one of the groups.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 with a motion by Allen, seconded by O'Rourke and voted.

Meeting minutes from September 1, 2020
Submitted by Susan Strout

Approved: September 15, 2020