

## GEORGETOWN PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 28, 2010

### CALL TO ORDER

The Georgetown Planning Commission held a regular meeting on Wednesday, July 28, 2010 in the Georgetown Town Hall, 404 6th Street. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Answering the roll were Chairperson Cynthia Skeen, Vice Chairperson Kerry Ann McHugh and Commissioner Henry Ehgott. Also in attendance was Town Clerk Merinel Williams.

### AUDIENCE BUSINESS

Marie-Claude Williams described her idea for the Town to operate an RV camping area at the lake. The area would have about 20 camping spots for an estimated cost of \$20 per space per night. A campground host could manage the facility in exchange for a free camping spot. There are potential legal issues to be addressed, but the idea is for a simple operation.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda was approved as written.

### NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### Discuss possible regulations for minimum property maintenance standards

It was acknowledged that when the Town adopted the 2003 International Codes it did not adopt the International Property Maintenance Code. Ms. Skeen commented that it is important to provide enforcement before a structure is in such a bad condition that it cannot be saved. Ms. McHugh commented that the issue of safety transcends the issue of whether a structure is historically important or not. Mr. Ehgott pointed out that there could be liability for the Town if it adopts, but does not enforce codes.

The Commission agreed to hold a work session on August 25 to discuss this issue further.

#### Preliminary discussion regarding medical marijuana issues referred to the Commission by the Board of Selectmen

The Commissioners acknowledged that the Board of Selectmen has requested a recommendation specifying which zoning districts should allow medical marijuana businesses. The Commission agreed to hold a public hearing on September 8 to invite public comments before proceeding further with this issue.

#### Discuss parking issues

Ms. Skeen reported that the Board of Selectmen has entered into a lease with the Colonial Dames for the upper Hotel de Paris parking lot. Ms. McHugh reported that the new configuration for tour bus parking in front of the Hotel is working well. She also reported that the Marshal has indicated that parking at the 22nd Street bridge is an enforcement issue, and

that he prefers that the Town Hall parking lot be restricted for town employees and persons doing business at Town Hall.

APPROVE MINUTES

Ms. McHugh moved to approve the minutes of the June 9 and June 23, 2010 meeting as written. Mr. Ehrgott seconded and the motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Skeen adjourned the meeting at 6:56 p.m.

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Merinel Williams, Town Clerk

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Cynthia Skeen, Chairperson