

MILLBURY PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES
May 11, 2020

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Millbury Planning Board was held on Monday, May 11, 2020 at 7:15 p.m. remotely via ZOOM video conferencing as the Municipal Office Building was closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic and associated State of Emergency. Chairman Richard Gosselin presided.

Present: Rich Gosselin, Terry Burke Dotson, Paul Piktelis, Bruce DeVault, Mathew Ashmankas

**7:15 p.m. Public Hearing Con't – 71 & 73A McCracken Road
One School Global
Mark Reynolds**

Mat Ashmankas referred to an email received from Laurence Markham to request to continue the public hearing to the June 8, 2020 meeting.

Mat Ashmankas made a motion to continue the Public Hearing to 7:15 pm on June 8, 2020, Paul Piktelis seconded and on a roll call vote with Mat Ashmankas, Paul Piktelis, Terry Burke Dotson and Bruce DeVault in favor, the vote was approved unanimously.

**7:22 p.m. Public Hearing Con't – 126 Grafton Street
Multi-family Special Permit
Jeffrey D & Cheryl E. Vassar**

Tracy Sharkey, representing Guarantee Builders, stated that she is working to update the site plans. She requested to continue the public hearing to June 8, 2020.

Cheryl Vassar, 126 Grafton Street, stated that she wrote a letter to the abutter regarding their privacy concerns. She is working with the engineer and Ms. Connors to address their concerns.

Mat Ashmankas made a motion to continue the public hearing to 7:20 pm on June 8, 2020, Paul Piktelis seconded and on a roll call vote with Mat Ashmankas, Paul Piktelis, Terry Burke Dotson and Bruce DeVault in favor, the vote was approved unanimously.

**7:26 p.m. Natures Remedy
Minor Modification**

Justin Lundberg, representing Natures Remedy, requested that the Planning Board allow Nature's Remedy to open at 8:00 a.m. to cater to customers over age 55 and customers with underlying medical conditions. This is due to the Covid-19 pandemic and would be in effect once the State allows Natures Remedy to reopen until the end of 2020.

Chairman Gosselin stated that he is pleased that they are putting in place a social distancing plan for reopening. Mr. Lundgren stated that there may be a possible limit on the number of customers in the store and they wanted a plan in place.

Ms. Dotson inquired about changes with the traffic on Rte. 146 and Mr. Lundgren stated that he is only in front of the Board to discuss the request for the early opening for the older population.

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Mr. DeVault recommended leaving the ending date open due to the uncertainty with the current Executive Order in place from the State of Massachusetts.

Chairman Gosselin recommended that the date should be December 31, 2020.

Mat Ashmankas made a motion to extend the hours of operation for Nature's Remedy from 8:00am until 10:00 am through December 31, 2020 for the purpose of serving the older population and those with underlying conditions, Bruce DeVault seconded and on a roll call vote with Mat Ashmankas, Paul Piktelis, Terry Burke Dotson and Bruce DeVault in favor, the vote was approved unanimously.

Other Business:

Ms. Dotson inquired and Ms. Connors responded that placing electrical services underground and replacing telephone poles in the downtown area is beyond the scope of work currently underway.

Chairman Gosselin asked Ms. Connors to generate a letter to National Grid detailing the ongoing project and inquire about the possibly of replacing the aging poles.

Mr. Ashmankas inquired about the schedule for the project and Ms. Connors stated that they received grant extensions until December 31, 2020. They have encountered several issues that have delayed the project, such as the discovery of asbestos sewer pipes on Main and South Main Street.

Adjourn:

Mat Ashmankas made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Paul Piktelis and on a roll call vote with Mat Ashmankas, Paul Piktelis, Terry Burke Dotson and Bruce DeVault in favor, the vote was approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Collins

ATTEST:







