

**BERWICK PLANNING BOARD**  
**MINUTES**  
**January 6, 2011**

Present: Paul Boisvert, Kerry Ashburn, Ron Morrell, Judy Burgess, Peter Perri, Tom Wright (Alternate), Mary Gagnon (Alternate), and Susie Scott (Planning Coordinator).

Public Audience: 20+ attendees.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The Planning Board unanimously approved by slate vote the following Officers:

- Motion by Paul Boisvert, second by Judy Burgess to vote Kerry Ashburn as Chairman;
- Motion by Kerry Ashburn, second by Judy Burgess to vote Paul Boisvert as Vice Chairman;
- Motion by Kerry Ashburn, second by Paul Boisvert to Judy Burgess as Secretary.

**INTRODUCTION/COMMENTS/NON-AGENDA ITEM**

None provided.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Berwick Iron & Metal Recycling / Proposed Conditional Use – Metal Shredder, 106 Route 236.

Present: Tom Harmon, Jay Stephens and Mike Peverett (Civil Consultants), Matt Manahan (Pierce Atwood), and Robert and Richard Brenna (BI&MR owners).

Civil Consultants discussed:

- Modification to BI&MR's existing C.U. permit for existing auto junkyard to include operation of a metal shredder;
- Expanding to more than 5,000 square feet of impervious surface;
- DEP is currently reviewing Solid Waste Processing Facility license;
- DEP Air Emission license received;
- Traffic Study and Stormwater Study completed;
- Paving entrance from Route 236 to site;
- New Site Plan includes:
  - o Wider entrance at Route 236 with Entrance Permit required from MDOT. No Traffic Movement Permit required;
  - o Lot coverage with impervious surfaces;
  - o Water line installed with new hydrant for fire suppression;
  - o Zone setback lines;
  - o Deeded ROW across BI&MR property with an easement granted to Pepin: ROW provides required frontage, and creates a conforming lot as approved by the CEO; Lot

was originally split prior to Brenna ownership; Secondary entrance provided through the Pepin property;

- Fuel: 500-gallon tank to be supplied daily (320/400 gallons/daily to be used); Air License provides for 200 gallons/hourly basis; Small tanks on site will require SPCC Plan (DEP/EPA requirement) with reports to be submitted and on file on-site, and with the Fire Chief; Site in compliance with Fire Chief;
- Proposing change in Hours of Operation: 8:00am – 4:00pm.

Planning Board:

- Concerned about stacking of cars on Route 236. *Civil Consultants/Brenna's responded that the site accommodates 2-3 lanes wide for stacking.*
- Inquired to septic system capacity. *If BI&MR were to exceed 20 employees, they would replace the stone bed septic chambers to double capacity; Current systems sufficient with no industrial discharge into system.*
- Shredder has no discharge. *Shredder Operator controls water spray with minimal water required, which will evaporate in process.*
- Inquired to further DEP sampling of storm water runoff beyond visual sampling. *Additional requirements anticipated for water testing per the pending DEP license approval.*

Tim Murphy, Attorney for residents Seivwright/Planche/Duffy/Provencher/LaPierre: Requested time to speak.

Planning Board: Decided to hold a second Public Hearing on January 20, 2011.

Site Walk scheduled for Saturday, January 8, 2011 at 8:30 AM. Attorney Tim Murphy accepted invitation to attend.

- Libby Scott, Inc. / Vehicle Maintenance Building & Equipment Storage Yard / Angelina Drive (Off Industry Drive): Review Time Extension Request.

MOTION by Paul Boisvert, SECOND by Judy Burgess to grant the extension request for a period of 6-months for pending review of a modification to an approved subdivision plan with concurrent site plan review at Map R-72, Lot 12, PASSED 4-0 with 1 in abstention.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Bateman Partners, LLC / Old School Building – Affordable Housing / School St.: Permit Extension Request.

Item tabled until a Bateman representative was in attendance.

**OTHER**

- The Board requested clarification as to when proposed Ordinance amendments need to be submitted for Selectmen review.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Planning Board approved minutes from December 2, 2010.

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 pm.