



BERWICK PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES
February 2, 2012

PRESENT: Peter Perri, Judy Burgess, Kerry Ashburn, Paul Boisvert, Jim Webster (CEO), Joan Michaud (Planning Coordinator), Ron Morrell, Absent

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

- Cheryl and David Dionne d/b/a Great Works Pump and Test Boring, Inc. / 555 Portland Street (Map R-72, Lot 9B) : Conditional Use Application

Judy Burgess asked whether or not the Dionnes anticipated any other retail sale plans in the future as it could be included in the Amendment to their Conditional Use. They agreed that the only item that they might sell and would like to be included was the sale of heating supplies/alternative fuels (i.e. wood pellets).

MOTION by Judy Burgess, SECOND by Paul Boisvert to approve the amended Conditional Use Permit for Cheryl and David Dionne d/b/a/ Great Works Pump and Test Boring, Inc. to include the sale of animal feed, farm supplies and alternative fuels along with the present business located at 555 Portland Street (R-72, Lot 9B) subject to Conditions of Approval, PASSED unanimously 4-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Michael & Melissa Manning / 76 Worster Road (Map R-32, Lot 17-1): Conditional Use Application

Michael & Melissa Manning requested to sell used cars in addition to their existing auto body shop. Mr. Manning supplied the Board with a sketch map of where the designated parking spaces would be located on the property.

MOTION by Paul Boisvert, SECOND by Judy Burgess to approve the amended Conditional Use Permit for Michael & Melissa Manning of Berwick Collision Center to include Vehicle Sales for property located at 76 Worster Road (R-32, Lot 17-1) subject to Conditions of Approval, PASSED unanimously 4-0.

OTHER

- Margaret Wheeler d/b/a Red Barn Professional Pet Services LLC (formerly The Critter Barn) Request to Amend Conditional Use, 62 Blackberry Hill Road (Map R-56, Lot 2)

Jay Wheeler was in attendance representing Margaret (Peg) Wheeler who could not attend. The Planning Board members received a copy of an email and attached flyers from Peg, on the name change for the business along with information on proposed animal shelter services for the towns of Lebanon and Berwick, at the meeting. The email stated that she requested to amend her present Conditional Use permit by deleting the reference to the town of South Berwick and referring instead to 'a second municipality.'

Judy Burgess stated that she didn't feel that a Public Hearing was required for the change.

MOTION by Peter Perri, SECOND by Kerry Ashburn to approve the Amended Conditional Use dated November 15, 2007 to change the business name to the Red Barn Professional Pet Services LLC and remove the reference to South Berwick and change it to 'a second municipality' for the property located at 62 Blackberry Hill Road (R-56, Lot 2) PASSED unanimously 4-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes –January 19, 2012: Approved

COMMENTS / NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- The Board discussed the meeting that was held the previous night between Berwick and Somersworth on the future bridge renovations. The Board, other than Peter Perri, were not aware of the meeting and requested Joan Michaud to inform the Town Manager and Town Engineer that they would like to be notified about future meetings so that they may attend.
- The definition of Congregate Housing was discussed and whether an Assisted Living facility would fall under this definition in the Ordinance. Jim Webster felt that it did and Joan Michaud stated that she would further research the definition and forward it to the Board members.

Meeting adjourned at 7: 26 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kerry Ashburn', written over a horizontal line.

Kerry Ashburn, Chair