

Town of Islesboro
Planning Board
Regular Meeting
May 9, 2011
6:15 PM
Town Office Meeting Room

AGENDA

Members Present: Chair Alice Faye, Jacob Bethune, Peter Coombs, Mark Small, and alternate Janice Harmen.

Excused: Katharine Schwarzenbach

Others Present: Wendy Hammett, Steve Randall and CEO William Boardman

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM. Chair Faye appointed Janice Harmen a voting member and a quorum was established.

The Chair wanted to note for the record that the Board is grateful to Craig Olson for his service to the Planning Board, and noted that he volunteered regularly on site reviews, and that he served on the Harbor Committee as the Planning Board representative. The Planning Board will recommend to the BOS to appoint Janice Harmen, alternate, a full member of the Planning Board.

WENDY HAMMETT, MAP 32, LOT 4, MD 2-11

Mrs. Hammett told the Planning Board that her plan is to turn the front room of her house into a retail showroom for her jewelry and right now she plans to be open on Fridays, Saturdays and perhaps one day during the week. She has submitted a parking plan that will allow for at least two cars, and the parking lot is designed so that a car will back up in the parking area and drive forward onto Meadow Pond Road, as opposed to backing out onto the road. The abutters have been notified of this application and to date there has been no word of opposition from the neighbors. The application was amended, with permission from the applicant, to add for the installation of a sign. Ms. Hammett will probably use a free standing sign and she is told that it cannot be greater than 6 sq. ft and it must be 25 feet back from the center of the road. There will be no structural changes to the existing house.

The Planning Board reviewed Chapter 4 of the DRO, and found there to be no concerns with the application. The Board felt that a site review was not necessary as there will be no changes to the structure, and the parking plan is adequate for the anticipated traffic. It was noted that there are no site line issues at this location as well.

MOTION by Peter Coombs to table Application #MD2-11, Map 32, Lot 4 of Wendy Hammett to establish a jewelry retail space in her home for Findings of Fact. M. Small seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

CEO report for March: B. Boardman said that things are quiet right now, he has nothing to report, but does expect business to pick up in the coming months.

Board Elections: MOTION BY J. Bethune to elect Alice Faye as Chair, Janice Harmen as Vice-Chair, and Peter Coombs as secretary of the Planning Board. Seconded by M. Small. Motion passed 5-0.

MOTION by M. Small to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by J. Bethune. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pike
Secretary to the Islesboro Planning Board