

Meeting Minutes

Edgartown Planning Board - Tuesday, September 8, 2020

The Edgartown Planning Board scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, September 8, 2020, 5:30 PM.

Prior to the call to order, Mr. Finn noted the following:

The meeting is being audio and video recorded, and attendees participating by video conference, in accordance with Chapter 53 of the Acts of 2020.

All supporting materials have been provided to the members of this body and are available on a publicly accessible internet website. Any member of the public is able to access the site, using the instructions included in the Meeting Agenda.

The public is encouraged to follow along using the posted agenda.

Deviations from the agenda, if any, will be noted.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Mr. McCourt called the meeting to order at 5:34 PM, and called the roll:

MASCOLO: Absent

MORRISON: Present

MORGAN: Present

SEARLE: Present

CISEK: Present

MCCOURT: Present

A quorum was declared.

SITE VISITS

A Site Visit was conducted at 6 Mattakesett Bay Road. No deliberation was conducted.

SCHEDULED BUSINESS

5:30 PM – ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW: MV WIFI LLC, 14 SAMPSON AVE (34-197)

Application to swap position 1 and 2 antennas on all three sectors; also to add three remote radio heads.

Present for the applicant: Dan Bilezekian, SAI Communications, Dan.Bilezekian@sai-comm.com

Mr. Bilezekian was not present. Therefore, the chairman tabled the matter to the next regular meeting on September 15, 2020.

5:30 PM - PUBLIC HEARING - SP(COASTAL DISTRICT): JOHN D. PICKARD (TRUSTEE), JOHN DAVID PICKARD IRREVOCABLE TRUST, 6 MATTAKESSETT BAY RD, UNIT M-4 (51A-16.B)

In accordance with MGL Chapter 40A, Section 10, the Edgartown Planning Board scheduled a public hearing on Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 5:30 PM, at the request of John D. Pickard, Trustee of the John David Pickard Irrevocable Trust, to add a garage (attached to existing house) and a family room (attached to existing house and proposed garage); also to add to existing kitchen; also to enclose an existing deck on second floor. The parcel is a non-conforming lot.

This application is made in accordance with Section 5.1 of the Edgartown Zoning Bylaw. The property is located at 6 Mattakesett Bay Rd, Unit M-4, Assr. Pcl. 51A-16.B. Copies of the application are available in the Planning Office for public review.

Mr. McCourt opened the public hearing at 5:36 PM.

Presentation / Findings

- A revised site plan has been submitted.
- The request has been modified, as the garage structure had been removed from the proposal.
- The property has frontage on a private right of way.
- A letter from the second unit owner expressed favor for the project.
- A poured concrete slab will be poured to provide a parking space for cars, and a place to store trash cans, garden equipment, etc.
- The boundary property line is about 20 feet back from the edge of the prepared road surface.
- A 20-foot ‘way’ that lies between the road and the boundary line is an unused public way to which the applicant has rights to access.
- A proposed 12’ drive will have no physical separation from a parking lot on an abutting parcel.
- A number of letters have been received expressing concerns and/or speaking in opposition to the proposal, citing concerns about the proposed location for the driveway, the location and size of the garage, cutting of trees, and other factors.
- The owner of the adjoining condominium expressed some concerns about the proposal regarding the potential for snow collection, sightlines, and possible ‘nesting place’ for animals.
- The proposal was unique in that if the immediate neighbor had objections, the proposal could not proceed even with Planning Board approval.
- The revised plans may not have been available to all abutters to review prior to the public hearing.

It was MOVED by Searle SECONDED by Morgan

To continue the public hearing to September 15, 2020, at 6:30 PM.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

SEARLE: YES

MORGAN: YES

SEARLE: YES

CISEK: YES

MCCOURT: YES

(6:12 PM)

5:45 PM – PUBLIC HEARING: MILL HILL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

The Edgartown Planning Board scheduled a Public Presentation and Hearing at 5:45 PM to receive comment on recommendations for improvements to Mill Hill Road. Improvements are anticipated to better enable vehicular travel on the road, and improve public safety and welfare. The Planning Board expects to consider various measures, and forwarding a proposed plan to the Board of Selectmen for their consideration.

Presentation

Mr. Finn presented the board with information in regard to the history of the Mill Hill Road survey, the site walkthrough conducted by the Board, the follow-up site walkthrough by Town Staff, and several recommendations for improvement of the road.

(The presentation notes are attached to these minutes as Addendum #1.)

After the presentation, some questions and answers, the board discussed next steps. After some discussion, it was MOVED by Morrison SECONDED: Searle

To draft a letter to be sent to the Board of Selectmen, referring the matter to their attention with recommendations for actions.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

MORRISON: YES

MORGAN: YES

SEARLE: YES

CISEK: YES

MCCOURT: YES

(7:01 PM)

ADMINISTRATIVE

Requests for Agenda Time

Mr. Finn noted that he had received requests for Board Time from:

- Mr. Klaus Broscheit (508-560-9121) who would like to speak to the board about possible zoning bylaw amendments related to 5G cellular service, and local governance of 5G rollout. The board agreed to receive Mr. Broscheit at a date convenient.
- Mr. Dan Doyle (508-338-7316), who would like to make a presentation to the Board about an affordable housing “Site Suitability Tool”. Board agreed to receive Mr. Doyle at a date convenient.

Master Plan Steering Committee

Mr. Finn suggested that the board consider activating the Master Plan Steering Committee, as appointed, and get the process started.

Suggested meeting date: The last (partial) week of September (28th, 29th, or 30th). After some discussion it was agreed that Mr. Finn could setup a ‘technical primer’ for Committee members, in order to provide an orientation to Google Drive, and Zoom; further, to begin scheduling a first full committee meeting for sometime in mid-October.

Payroll

Mr. Finn noted that “Time Tracking” of staff activity during “telework” had been implemented, effective this week. Mr. Finn noted that, with some exceptions, he would likely be in the office for regular office hours (Monday through Thursday, 8 to 4, Friday, 8 to 2).

Mr. Finn also noted that draft minutes were available for August 4, August 11, and August 18

Mr. Finn noted that “Diversity and Sensitivity Training” would be conducted on October 19 and 20 (time to be announced). Mr. Finn noted that this training is mandated for all staff and department heads / managers, and attendance by at least one or two board members is strongly encouraged. Mr. Finn noted that he would pass on more info when it becomes available.

OTHER BUSINESS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE

No further business.

ADJOURN

It was MOVED by Morgan, SECONDED by Morrison

To Adjourn.

APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

(7:09 PM)

Respectfully Submitted,
Douglas Finn, Planning Board Assistant
Addend: Mill Hill Road Presentation notes