

Town of Dorset Planning Commission April 6, 2010 Minutes

Members Present: B. Breed (Chairman), M. Canavan (Vice Chairperson), G. Squire, D. Pinsonault, T. Dee, C. Ferguson, B. Herrmann

Members Absent:

Also Present: Chris Schmelzenbach (Zoning Administrator), Bob Escher (DRB), Donald Heaton, Georgine Barrie, Neil Landres, Robert Menson, Joan Menson, Ellen Maloney, Larry Becker (State of Vermont-Vermont Geological Survey), ack Towsley (Dorset Water Company), Diana Green, Luanne Hardy, Katherine Buchmayr, Margaret Meachem, Janet Saint Germain, Vera Crawford, Rick LaDue, Austin Chinn, Kevin Roe, Abe Rumney (Dorset Fire/Water District #1), Jim Hand (Dorset Energy Committee), David Skulnik, Jon Groveman (Vermont Natural Resource Council), Robert Gibney, Eric Rosencrantz, Stephen Mathyas, Marjorie Gale (Geologist & Digital Mapping Expert), Eric Hanson (Vermont Rural Water Planner)

B. Breed, Chairman, opened the Public Hearing at 7:01 p.m.

Approve Minutes of March 30, 2010

G. Squire moved and C. Ferguson seconded to approve the March 30, 2010 minutes as presented. Motion carried 7-0

Report from the Zoning Administrator

C. Schmelzenbach reviewed the ZA report:

1. Harold Beebe (2971 Route 7) – Subdivision permit issued
2. Richard Manley (579 Owls Head Hill Lane) – Permit issued for wood shed construction.
3. Gary Saunders (2435 Morse Hill Road – Owner coordination for single family home.
4. Sarah Inglis (312 Upper Hollow Road) – Permit issued for addition improvements.
5. Ben Weiss (154 Spruce Lane) – Permit issued for outbuilding/workshop. Engineer coordination for boundary line adjustment.
6. Michael Emond (5266 Route 7) Permit issued for change in roof configuration/stair entrance.
7. John Maher (179 Squirrel Hollow Road) – Permit issued for addition improvements.
8. Jeff Dill (Owls Head Hill Lane) – Owner coordination for single family home.
9. Annette Bolt (647 Mad Tom Road) – Owner coordination for previous permit revisions
10. Eric Bearor (5279 Route 7) – Owner coordination for old rail building rehab. Snowmobile sales.

There was five (5) permit issued for the period of February 23, 2010 – April 1, 2010; four in 2009 and four in 2008.

Report from the Bennington Country Regional Commission Report from the Bennington Country Regional Commission

No report submitted

Report from the Design Review Board (DRB)

The DRB Board had a meeting on March 30, 2010 to review a proposal by Mio Bistro to install an awning over the outside stone patio area – approximately 19 ft. wide x 30 ft. long. The metal frame will be taken down for the winter and there will be no lettering on the dark green awning. The awning will have clear plastic on the sides which can be rolled down in inclement weather. B. Breed asked where it was listed in the ZBL's that awnings are allowed. B. Escher responded that Section 3.0 allowed for "keeping in character with the Town" and other buildings in Town such as Peltier's have awnings. C. Ferguson moved and M. Canavan seconded to approve the DRB minutes of March 30, 2010 as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Other Business

None

Groundwater Study Presentation

Lawrence Becker, Vermont State Geologist and Director of the Vermont Geological Survey along with Marjorie Gale and Eric Hanson presented a slide show and discussion on groundwater movements, recharge areas and mapping. Informative maps and data are available on the internet at <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/index.cfm> and a CD will also be available for review. Zoning overlay maps will be left with the Zoning Administrator which show water resources in relation to zoning districts. B. Breed read a message from Senator Bob Hartwell, who is a member of the State Natural Resources Committee (copy attached). GNAT-TV filmed the presentation and CD's are available for \$15.

C. Ferguson moved and G. Squire seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Aversano

A Message for the ground water meeting,
Dorset Town Offices, April 6, 2010.

Having worked in the Vermont Statute to place Vermont's ground waters in the public trust, I want to thank Bob and Jane Munson and all those who have worked so diligently to insure the mapping of our ground waters of the Town of Dorset. Their efforts have gone much to assure our complete knowledge and protection of this precious resource.

It is important to note the ongoing support of Jan Gravenan of the Vermont Natural Resources Council for all he has done to protect the water resources of Vermont and his support of the Dorset mapping project. Thanks also to Larry Becker, the State Geologist, for his assistance.

I am sorry not to be able to be present this evening but want to express my support and appreciation for this project.

Bob Harpell
State Senator

Town of Dorset ~ Planning Commission

Date 4/6/10
 Regular Meeting
 Special Meeting

(Please Print)

Name	Address	Representing	(Yes or No) Testifying?
DORIS MENSON	RD 30	self	no
CETLINE BARRIE	Dorset (Municipality)	none	No
MARGARET ANGLAN	P. Dorset	member Plan Com	
NEIL LANDREY	P.O. Box 658 Dorset	Mayor	No
ROBERT MENSON	1131 ROUTE 30 DORSET		
JOAN MENSON	"		
Eileen Maloney	Mad Tom S. Dorset		NO
Lenny Belcher	State of VT - VT Geopad	VT geological survey	YES
JACK TOWSLEY	201 Pace St. Dorset	Dorset Water Co	NO
DIANA GREEN	POB 881	Dorset	no
Luanne Hardy	27 Lane Rd.		NO
Katherine Buchmayer	1787 Dorset West Rd.		NO
Margaret Macdonald	99 Bank Lane Dorset		"
Jane Saint Germain	511 Upper Hollow Rd.		"
Vera Crawford	Dorset West Rd		
Rick Leduc	397 Poulton Rd. Manchester		no
Austin Chin	104 Kirby Hollow Rd.	self	NO
Kevin Roe	645 Dorset Hollow Rd	self	no
Alex Rummey	RD box 23	Dorset Energy Comm / water Dist.	no
Jim Hand	1705 Morse Hill	Dorset Energy Comm.	NO
David Skulnick	951 Nichols Hill	VR	
Jon Groveman	9 Baillet Ave, Montpelier	Vermont Dept of Resources Conservation	NO

Dorset Select Board Meeting

Date: March 30, 2010

Regular

Special

Please Print Name & Address		
1.	B. Descher	DRB YES
2.	Georgine B. B. B.	DORSET YES
3.	CLIFF BRASS	E. DORSET YES
4.	Jane Beebe	E. Dorset YES
5.	HAROLD R. BEEBE	E. Dorset
6.	Douglas Beebe	E. Dorset
7.	Thomas Hathorn	Dorset
8.	Kt Wolla	Dorset
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