



TOWN OF HARRISON

HARRISON PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES MAY 15, 2019

Board Members Present: Chairman James Dayton, Barbara Varricchio, Brent Grygiel
Alternate Brian Spaulding, CEO John Wentworth, Secretary Kristen MacDonald

Board Member Absent: Vice-Chairman Richard St. John

Public Present: LRTV, Sandy Swett, Ginnie Spaulding, Christine Wolfe, Karen Pettengill, Steven Pettengill, Cliff Roderick, Steve Wentworth, Jeanne Walker, Joyce Lattin, Al Fitzmorris, Martha Holden

The meeting was called to order at 6 pm by Chairman Dayton and a quorum was determined.

1. **Old Business:**

- a. Approval of the Meeting Minutes for May 1, 2019
Barbara moved, Brian second to approve the minutes for May 1, 2019 as written. James, Barbara, and Brian were in favor. Brent abstained because he was not at the meeting.
- b. Site Plan Review Application – Harrison Food Bank – 176 Waterford Rd.
Chairman Dayton stated that Sandy had turned in her parking plan and wrote out her plans for the four phases so they now have that in her application as required. The Chair opened the floor to the public to speak about this application. Mr. Fitzmorris asked if the Food Bank goes far beyond Harrison and he was told by Sandy that yes people from any surrounding towns can go there and the reason is that in order to get free food from Good Shepherd they have to be available to all, not just residents of Harrison. Mr. Fitzmorris also asked if the people receiving food there are on any other programs like welfare etc.

Sandy responded that they do not know because they cannot ask that, it is against the law. Barbara asked if Sandy had any percentages of elderly vs. younger people that attend. Sandy believes that about 60% are Senior Citizens. She would have an exact on her computer but not with her. A couple of volunteers spoke about how the process goes and how grateful the people attending are that they are there. The Board expressed their concern with people parking on the road. The response from Sandy was that during the winter it was that way because the VFW had a person plowing that was not doing snow removal which made less parking. They will make sure that the snow is removed and will put no parking signs up along the road where people have been parking. Sandy mentioned that they also need to do something with the fill that has been left on the property by the State and local contractors. Chairman Dayton asked CEO Wentworth if that is something they should be concerned with. CEO replied that yes somebody should be taking care of it. Being that it is in the Bear River Aquifer A zone trying to expand the parking lot may be an issue. The Board talked about what is actually considered the parking lot. Because of the fill there something should be done about controlling the erosion. Joyce Lattin, an abutter commented that she approves of all that they are doing at the Food Bank. The only thing she would have a problem with is if they were to try to put a parking lot on Rolfe Road because then she would be staring at a parking lot from the front yard of her house and she doesn't want that and asks that they please be mindful of that. The Board and Sandy had a discussion about the new replacement sign and the requirements.

James moved, Brent 2nd to allow 40 sq. ft. aggregate for signage, both by the road and on the building. All were in favor.

Chairman Dayton closed the public hearing.

Chairman Dayton explained that once the Board receives the detailed drawing for the addition they will then discuss that phase of the project.

CEO Wentworth asked if the Food Bank would still be renting out the upstairs. Sandy responded yes that there were a few functions already set with the VFW that they are honoring and they will have rentals in the future also.

James moved, Brent 2nd to allow the Food Bank to continue operating out of the existing VFW building and to continue with incidental rentals of the upstairs hall. All were in favor.

2. New Business:

None

3. Next Meeting:

June 5, 2019 @ 6 pm

4. Adjourn:

James moved, Barbara 2nd to adjourn at 7:20 pm. All were in favor.

Chairman James Dayton

Secretary Kristen MacDonald