



Town of Sheffield

Planning Board

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Regular Meeting

Wednesday, September 23, 2015, 7:00 PM

TOWN HALL – 1st FLOOR MEETING ROOM

Planning Board Members Present: James T. Collingwood Jr., Chair
Daniel Watson
Marie Massini-Reynolds

Absent Planning Board Member: Anthony Gulotta
David Smith Sr.

Members of the Public present: Mari Gasperini, 318 Clayton Rd., Ashley Falls
Susan Rothschild, 1391 Barnum St.
representing Sheffield Land Trust
David Rothstein of Race Brook Lodge and the
Stage Coach Tavern, 864 Undermountain Rd.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, J. Collingwood Jr., at 7:00p.m.

Special Permit Application submitted by Mari Gasperini: The Chair assigned the number 92315 to Ms. Gasperini's Special Permit Application and scheduled a hearing on the application for October 28.

Minutes: The Board postponed review of the September 9, 2015 minutes because only three members were present at the September 9th meeting; the same three would need to review the minutes of that meeting.

Mail:

- The Planning Board received 5 notices of hearings before the Sheffield Conservation Commission all scheduled for 7pm on 9/28 1) regarding repair of a sewage disposal system 2) regarding a Nature Trail to be constructed on Town land bordering the Sheffield Town Park and Frederic Lane 3) regarding abatement of Japanese knotweed on Covered Bridge Lane 4) regarding compliance with the MA Wetlands Protection Act in the construction of a single family home at 500 Foley Rd. 5) regarding stump grinding 15 tree stumps within a 100 foot WPA-Buffer Zone to 12 inches below the ground surface and temporary grading of the former cellar hole for safety purposes
- Town of Great Barrington allowed Diego Gutierrez to build a deck in a wetlands area of the Williams river. Anyone who objects has 20 days to appeal.
- Hearing regarding the old Egremont Inn

- Information sheets from the Town of Sheffield listing all Town Boards and their functions

Internally Illuminated Signs: The Board discussed the development of the proposed bylaw.

David Rothstein of Race Brook Lodge and the Stage Coach Tavern: Mr. Rothstein introduced himself, saying that one of his concerns was that he lost power 5 times last year. He wonders if buying into a solar field would help. He also discussed the impact of online rentals like Air BnB on his business.

At 7:55, M. Massini-Reynolds made a Motion to adjourn the regular meeting. D. Watson seconded her Motion and the Motion was approved unanimously.

The next Planning Board meeting will be Wednesday, October 14, 2015 at 7p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Nadia Milleron
Secretary to the Planning Board