

Planning Board
Town of Hinsdale, NH
Town Hall
Meeting January 17, 2023

Board Members: Chair, Sean Leary, Tom Woodbury, Sandra Golden, Mike Darcy, CDC Lynch, and Ann Diorio were present. Jim Mitchell and Selectman Rep. William Hodgman were excused. Todd Horner from SWRPC and Cody Morrison from MEDC were present.

6pm Chair Leary called the meeting to order and read the agenda.

Stefan Zielonko, 103 Brattleboro Rd., was present to discuss a concern. He explained that his neighbor has a business in a residential district. He questioned whether they had submitted a site plan for a business. He also explained that a business like this is not allowed in the residential district it is more appropriate for roadside commercial or industrial. He explained he has had a lot of issues with his neighbor cutting trees, removing gravel, burning a home after demolition and having items from his business all over the yard behind the barn.

CDC Lynch explained that any concerns that he has pertaining to trees and gravel, are a civil issue between him and his neighbor. She asked Mr. Zielonko if he had ever filed a complaint to the code officer about the remains of the house being burnt or the items around the yard, (he said no). She explained those are an issue that you would need to file a complaint form for, which gives the code officer permission to enter the property. She also explained the owner is using the barn for storage only for his business. The business has a Brattleboro address and phone number. She was not certain that the business needed a site plan because it has been in existence for many years and the barn is truly just for storage. She explained that no customers go to the barn, there are no office hours at the barn. Prior to the owner purchasing the property the barn was used for storage rental. Mr. Zielonko explained that the barn has constant activity to and from and that big trucks deliver product to the barn.

The Board asked to have the Code Officer go to the parcel for an inspection. They asked if he would look to see if there is debris around the yard behind the barn and to see if further action should be taken or if the barn is truly just storage.

Todd Horner was present to discuss a draft copy of Chapter 4 of the Masterplan. Todd explained that they are very close to signing a contract for the housing navigator position. This person will work with four towns, including Hinsdale, and act as a liaison between property owners and developers. He passed out a draft of Chapter 4 Masterplan for the Boards review. It was discussed that Chair Leary would forward a copy to the Board of Selectmen and School Board, M. Darcy would forward a copy to HEDC and CDC Lynch would forward a copy to the WWTP, Water/Sewer, Police, Fire and Highway for review. Todd asked if any questions, corrections, or revisions please send to CDC Lynch by February 14th and she could forward them to him.

Todd introduced Cody Morrison, Executive Director of Monadnock Economic Development Corporation, to the Board. The Board looks forward to collaborating with Cody on upcoming projects.

Board Business:

Ann will not be in attendance at February 21, 2023 meeting.

CDC Lynch reminded the Board of the meeting on February 14th at 6pm with the Town Attorney.

A. Diorio made a motion to approved the minutes dated December 20, 2022. She was seconded by S. Golden. The motion passed unanimously.

With there being no further business to come before the meeting, M. Darcy made a motion to adjourn. He was seconded by A. Diorio. The meeting was adjourned at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathryn Lynch