

TOWN OF BELMONT
PLANNING BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

April 27, 2009

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6:55 p.m. Meeting called to order.

Attendance: Jenny Fallon, Chair; Sami Baghdady; Karl Haglund; Andres Rojas; Carla Moynihan; Jay Szklut and Jeffrey Wheeler, Staff.

Jeffrey reads several proposed amendments to the language of the Institutional Parking Lots amendments. These include:

- Institution be defined as a religious or educational organization
- Daytime hours be defined 6AM to 6PM
- Evening hours to be defined as 6PM to 6AM

Ms. Fallon discussed a 2nd proposed amendment to the Institutional Parking Article. The amendment would remove the distinction between short and long-term parking. It would also allow parking for special events lasting no longer than a single day, and would prohibit all parking of commercial vehicles without first obtaining a special permit.

Moved by Carla Moynihan to accept the proposed amendments to Article 30.

Seconded by Andy Rojas

Motion passed unanimously

Moved by Carla Moynihan to recommend favorable action on Article 30 as amended.

Seconded by Karl Haglund

Motion passed unanimously

Jay passed out the Board schedule through June. Ms. Fallon requested that Waverley Square be added to the items to be discussed on May 13.

Selectmen Dan LeClerc arrived at the meeting and noted that the Selectmen had changed their position on Articles 30 through 32. The Board of Selectmen understood that there was to be a proposed amendment to Article 31 and 32 increasing Historic District Commission oversight and were in support of the amendment. The Board took no position on the amendment should the Planning Board not adopt the new proposed language. The Board of Selectmen also expressed a concern that allowing parking for 30 vehicles or 50% of the lot, whichever is greater may create large parking lots and thought the language should be changed to 30 vehicles or 50% of the lot whichever is less.

The Board voted to continue this meeting to April 29 at 6:45 to consider the objections.

April 29, 2009, 6:55 p.m. Meeting continues

Attendance: Same

The Board discusses the issues raised by the Board of Selectmen. The amendment proposed by the Historic District Commission, in the determination of Town Counsel, inconsistent with other language in the proposed amendment and therefore withdrawn. The Board also felt that an

amendment to the Institutional Parking Article that changed the amount of cars that could be parked on the lot without having been discussed in a public setting was not appropriate. Therefore, the Board would not propose such an amendment although should an amendment from the floor limiting the number of spaces to 30 would be supported by the Board.

7:17 p.m. Meeting Adjourns

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 13, 2009
7:00 p.m., Selectmen's Meeting Room, Town Hall

MINUTES Approved 5/13/09