

**Machias Planning Board
Wednesday, April 2, 2025
Machias Tele-Business Center**

Present: Chairman Harry Flower, planning board members James Jackson, Arthur McCurdy and Andrew Mulholland, recording secretary Sharon Mack

Harry Flower called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Motion by James Jackson, second by Arthur McCurdy. Unanimous vote.

Building Permits –

1. Viking Lumber requested a building permit for a 40' by 60' storage building. No representative from Viking was present. Members discussed that there was information missing from the permit application, including a site plan, setbacks, location of the proposed building in relation to existing buildings, water runoff issues. Andy Mulholland suggested that the code enforcement officer or the public works director conduct a site visit to determine if there are any water runoff issues.

With a motion by Arthur McCurdy and second by James Jackson, the permit was approved pending the missing information is provided to the town office. The vote was unanimous with Andy Mulholland abstaining.

2. The Anchor, submitted by owner Larry Davis, requested a building permit for a 20' x 30' deck on the west side of their business. No representative from The Anchor was present. Members discussed placement of the deck in relation to the property lines with Machias Savings Bank and Centre Street Congregational Church. Members then determined that unless the deck was attached to the existing building, no building permit was required. Without walls and a roof, the permit would not apply to the deck.

On a motion by Arthur McCurdy and a second by James Jackson, it was unanimously voted to deny the permit as it was presented.

Ordinance Review –

The Board accepted copies of Machiasport's Solar and Wind Moratorium Ordinances for review. Harry Flower asked the members to read the proposals and a discussion will be held at the May planning

board meeting. Harry Flower said the board will also continue working on an updated building permit application.

On a motion by James Jackson and second by Arthur McCurdy, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Submitted by Recording Secretary Sharon Mack