

PLANNING BOARD - TOWN OF MACHIAS

JULY 6, 2022

This meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Bill Thompson. In attendance were Board members Ed Pellon, Arthur McCurdy, Rich Rolfe and Harry Flowers; Secretary Cathy Lord; Town Manager Bill Kitchen; Vincent Panos.

1. MINUTES - REVIEW AND ACTION

On a motion by Rich Rolfe, seconded by Arthur McCurdy, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2022 Board meeting.

2. BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATIONS - REVIEW AND ACTION

A. The Board reviewed a building permit application submitted by Vincent Panos for the construction of a home to be located at 327 Kennebec Road. It was noted that the applicant's site plan did not show side and setback dimensions. Mr. Thompson requested that Mr. Panos mark the dimensions as outlined in the building permit ordinance. Mr. Panos marked the dimensions on his site plan making his application complete.

On a motion by Rich Rolfe, seconded by Arthur McCurdy, the Board
VOTED:

To approve a building permit application for construction of a home to be located at 327 Kennebec Road.

B. The Board reviewed building permit applications submitted by Christopher Meroff for the construction of an outside bathroom, a ceremony platform, and a wrap-around deck on an existing home located at 180 West Kennebec Road. The Board reviewed the site plans included with each application.

On a motion by Arthur McCurdy, seconded by Rich Rolfe, the Board
VOTED:

To approve a building permit applications submitted by Christopher Meroff for the construction of an outside bathroom, a ceremony platform, and a wrap-around deck for the existing home at 180 West Kennebec Road.

On a motion by Rich Rolfe, seconded by Harry Flowers, the Board
VOTED:

To impose a one hundred dollar fine to the applicant due to the fact that a deck was constructed prior to submission of a building permit application.

C. The Board reviewed building permit applications submitted by Christopher Meroff for the location of pre-fabricated buildings as housing for goats, housing for chickens, and a horse barn including storage for straw and other materials at 415 Kennebec Road.

On a motion by Arthur McCurdy, seconded by Rich Rolfe, the Board
VOTED:

To approve building permit applications submitted by Christopher Meroff for the placement of pre-fabricated buildings at 415 Kennebec Road.

It was the consensus of the Board not to assess a fine to the applicant due to the fact that one of the pre-fabricated buildings was delivered early and was placed on the property.

D. Ms. Nicole Case representing Machias School Department discussed with the Board plans to enclose a portion of the high school to provide more instructional room and a 30X60 foot addition

to the alternative education building for the construction of two classrooms. Ms. Case told the Board that Mr. Porter has indicated that there would need to be a referendum vote to use Covid-19 funds for the project. Mr. Thompson noted that the building permit application will be addressed at the August meeting since it was submitted after the cut-off date. Mr. Kitchen questioned if the Town should be seeking a building fee from another municipal entity such as the school department.

Ms. Case advised the Board that volunteers want to replace buildings at the Southside Field. Mr. Kitchen noted that the Town appreciates the improvements at the Southside Field and he asked that a sign be placed on the property.

Ms. Case discussed efforts to replace the furnace at the high school gym

On a motion by Arthur McCurdy, seconded by Rich Rolfe, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM.