

WALPOLE PLANNING BOARD MINUTES OF AUGUST 7, 2012

Special Meeting

(Minutes taken by R. Nottebart)

A special meeting of the Walpole Planning Board was held on Thursday, August 7, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the town hall in Room 112. The following members were present: Edward Forsberg, Chairman; Richard Nottebart, Vice Chairman; John Murtagh, Clerk (7:52 p.m.); and Richard Mazzocca.

7:28 P.M. Ilana Quirk, Town Counsel: The chairman declared the board will be going into executive session to discuss litigation strategy regarding litigation known as Viano v. Planning Board and Beatty, Norfolk Superior Court C.A. No. NOCV2012-01177. A discussion of the foregoing in open session could compromise the purpose for the executive session. He further stated the board will return to open session at the conclusion of the executive session.

Mr. Nottebart moved that the Planning Board go into executive session, under G.L. c 30A, S21(a)(3) regarding Viano v. Planning Board, Norfolk Superior Court, NOCV2012-01177 for the purposes and reasons declared by the Board's chairman with the Board to return to open session at the conclusion of the executive session. Motion seconded by Mr. Mazzocca and voted 3-0-0.

Mr. Forsberg asked for a roll call vote to go into executive session: Mr. Nottebart, yes; Mr. Mazzocca, yes; Mr. Forsberg, yes. The Planning Board went into executive session at 7:35 p.m.

Mr. Murtagh arrived at 7:52 p.m.

Mr. Forsberg moved to come out of executive session into open session. Motion seconded by Mr. Nottebart and voted 4-0-0. Mr. Forsberg asked for a roll call vote to come out of executive session into open session: Mr. Nottebart, yes; Mr. Murtagh, yes; Mr. Mazzocca, yes; Mr. Forsberg, yes. The board came out of executive session into open session at 8:15 p.m.

8:15 P.M. Fall Town Meeting Warrant Article Discussion/Workshop: Stephanie Mercandetti, Economic Development Director, presented a draft of the Large-Scale Ground-Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Overlay District Bylaw which will be on the Fall 2012 town meeting warrant. As background, Ms. Mercandetti stated that this proposed overlay district was the subject of a public hearing last fall and was subsequently withdrawn from the Fall 2011 Annual Town Meeting warrant due to technical issues brought forward by the Planning Board. The requested changes have been made and Ms. Mercandetti wanted an opportunity to present the revisions and review this new draft of the bylaw with the Planning Board for the Fall 2012 Annual Town Meeting, but requested a workshop for review purposes prior to filing the article.

It was moved, seconded and voted to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Nottebart, Vice Chairman

Accepted 1/17/13