

**BRIDGTON PLANNING BOARD  
MEETING**

**Downstairs Meeting Room**

**May 17, 2016  
7:00p.m.**

The Bridgton Planning Board was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Steve Collins, Chair. Those in attendance were: Steve Collins, Chair; Fred Packard, Vice Chair; Brian Thomas; Michael Figoli; Dee Miller; Phyllis Roth, Alternate and Catherine Pinkham, Alternate. Absent were: None

Also present was: Agnieszka A. Pinette, Drummond Woodsum, legal representative for the Town of Bridgton.

**The Pledge of Allegiance**

**Brian moved** that the Planning Board recognize, honor and sincerely thank Fred Packard for his 20 consecutive years of dedicated service to our community as a member of the Bridgton Planning Board. Dee 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
5 Approve / 0 Oppose

Steve said referring to Shakespeare, Brutus said he came not to praise Caesar but to bury him. Happily I am not here to bury Fred but to praise him. When I came on the Board Fred had been a member for 8 years, he has been my mentor and my guide. I have nothing but respect and a deep gratitude for his help.

Dee said I learned so much from Fred who always seems to have the right thing to say. Thank you for teaching me so much.

Brian said when I came on the Board, I don't know how it happened, but I had the opportunity to be seated right next to Fred, he has helped me so much.

Michael said when Fred speaks he knows and understands what he wants and I appreciate that.

Catherine said Fred has helped me so much. He has been a wealth of information and he has promised me that he would be my "go to" person if I win in the upcoming election.

Phyllis said Fred you are straight and to the point.

Georgiann Fleck, Deputy Town Manager, said as Fred mentioned I have two years up on his 20 years. Fred is a true inspiration to everyone and anyone that decides to take a position on a board and I want to thank him for that.

Steve presented a plaque to Fred. I think these small towns are so lucky to have dedicated public servants like you.

Fred said it has been a pleasure, sometimes a little pain with the pleasure, but when I came on the Board in 1996 there were only a few regulations. Over the years, with Steve and Georgiann's diligence, we have created more comprehensive regulations. We represent the Town and with these regulations we have become more efficient as a Board. Bridgton has seen a lot of growth over time and I think I am the only Lake Region graduate sitting on this Board and that education has served me well.

Bernard King Jr., Chairman of the Bridgton Board of Selectmen, said I have known Fred for a number of years and he must be doing something right because he has been re-elected year after year. On behalf of myself and the Board of Selectmen Thank you very much Fred for your dedicated service to the Town of Bridgton.

Kenneth Murphy, Member of the Bridgton Board of Selectmen, said Fred and I are cousins. His Dad brought me and my family to the Town of Bridgton when I was 9 years old. When I moved back to Bridgton Fred walked me through what was going on in this Town and that I why I got more involved. Thank you Fred, you are not only my cousin but my friend and always will be.

Steve said when we adjourn the meeting there will be light refreshments available to anyone wishing to stay.

**Appoint Alternate(s) to vote in place of any absent regular member(s), if necessary.**

All regular members were present therefore no alternates were appointed.

**Old Business**

**Bridgton Bottled Gas/Stone Road Energy LLC  
4 Raspberry Lane; Map 6 Lot 24I  
LP Gas Storage Tank  
Appeals Board Remand to Planning Board  
Review Draft Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law**

Steve said at the Board's request Attorney Pinette has prepared written Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law with respect to the Appeals Board remand to Planning Board

Brian said in the memo there is reference to the Comprehensive Plan and I did not know if the Board wanted to discuss that this evening. Steve said I thought that was addressed in the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law. Attorney Pinette said at your last deliberation this was not a topic for discussion. This was raised recently by Attorney Bower at the April 5, 2016 Public Hearing session. At that point he brought to the Planning Board's attention the designation of the subject property. When I was drafting this decision and referring back to the record that was indeed an error. You had an opportunity

to fully deliberate this issue. Dee said I thought these designations would become more clear once a Land Use Ordinance was passed which has not happened yet which puts us in a transition period.

**Fred moved** that the Board adopt the Finding of Fact and Conclusions of Law as presented in the written document dated May 17, 2016 and to approve the proposal of Bridgton Bottled Gas subject to the conditions of approval set forth in the document (copy attached). Dee 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Steve said has each member reviewed and/or read the entire decision and it reflects your thinking. Steve polled each Board Member (Dee - Yes; Catherine - Yes; Phyllis - Yes; Michael - Yes; Brian - Yes; Fred - Yes and Steve said, myself, - Yes) Is there any discussion of the motion to conditionally approve the application. Hearing none I will call for a vote to the motion.

**5 Approve / 0 Oppose** to approve with the conditions listed.

**New Business** - None

**Approved Applications as per Bridgton Site Plan Review Ordinance 4.A.1**

None

**Topics for Discussion**

- A. FYI
  - 1. Revised Subdivision Regulations
- B. Other

Attorney Chandler said I would like to thank the Board for all the **efforts that the Board put into this application process** and we appreciate the Board's due diligence and **thank you to Mr. Packard for his civic engagement of duty which is a real testament to this Town.**

Steve said I would like to thank the public, the applicant and the neighbors for their involvement in this long and arduous process.

**Fred moved** to adjourn the meeting at 7:21p.m. Brian 2<sup>nd</sup>.

5 Approve / 0 Oppose

Respectfully Submitted,

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Georgiann M. Fleck, Deputy Town Manager  
Town of Bridgton