

**MINUTES**  
**TOWN OF PARSONSFIELD**  
**PLANNING BOARD MINUTES**  
**7:30 PM**  
**Tuesday, February 16, 2021**  
**TOWN OFFICE BUILDING**

**I. Call to Order**

Andy Yale Acting Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

Present: Gerard Clifford, Allen Jackson, Andy Yale, Recorder Desirae Lyle

Absent: Thelma Lavoie, Rick Sullivan, Sabin Beckwith (Alternate), Clifford Krolick (Alternate)

Guests Present: Selectmen Harvey Macomber and Jesse Stacey, Devin Ledoux, Jeff Wright, Roger and Jennie Moreau, Michael LaLonde, Scott Mounce, Michael Nelligan

Recorder's Note: Agenda Item IV was discussed and voted on before any other agenda items were discussed.

**II. Correspondence**

None

**III. Open to Public Questions**

Roger Moreau asked the Board to look at a survey plan regarding his property on Reed Lane. Michael Nelligan interrupted and asked Mr. Yale to recuse himself regarding Mr. Moreau's application due to the statement Mr. Yale made at the January 12, 2021 Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) meeting. Mr. Yale asked Mr. Nelligan to refresh him on what was said. Mr. Nelligan, 'You said that Mr. Moreau has every right under the Constitution, you know what I'm going to read it into the record. I am asking you (Mr. Yale) to recuse yourself if you are going to be discussing Mr. Moreau at all, he's not on the agenda. You know what's on the agenda correct?' Mr. Yale, 'We have "Open to Public Questions" on the agenda, he is asking a question of the Planning Board. I can put it to a vote if you like but go ahead please read what you have.' Mr. Nelligan, 'This is your comment at the ZBA meeting January 12, 2021, "They're," meaning myself as the appellant and my attorney, "bringing against it," the appeal, "arguments that can be demolished very easily by certain things, changes I mean. The deed exists one (1) way now, they can easily modify it to be one (1) lot." What I suggest to you is that the tone of their," meaning again myself and my attorney, "argument they're going to litigate this no matter what. Mr. Silk said he's here a second time, he can easily be here a third time. We're citizen boards, who are supposed to serve the citizens of this town and support the Constitution which decrees the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You the chairman just said, everyone has an opinion. I don't think this should be settled as a lawyer thing, but as a commonsense

thing. The gentleman," referring to Moreau, "has done everything that was required of him," and I say again, "everything that was required of him, the Board first turned down his application based on the ordinance. Why in the second case," meaning here the case being appealed and the permit revoked. "Why in the second case when they," meaning the Planning Board, "approve it would you," meaning the Board of Appeals, "assume that the Board was not taking due diligence?" Mr. Yale agreed, 'That's correct, I did say all that.' Mr. Nelligan continued, 'You're saying that Mr. Moreau has done everything, everything that's according to you, to be approved for this application.' Mr. Yale, 'Mr. Nelligan, I hear what you are saying. The issue right now is whether a citizen of this Town can come to the Planning Board for input. Mr. Moreau please explain why you are here and how you got here, that may help.' Mr. Moreau, 'Jesse (Winters) said this was a workshop and for me to come.' Mr. Nelligan, 'This is not a workshop!' Mr. Yale, 'That's correct this is not a workshop.' Mr. Moreau, 'I came in to ask questions on what I need to do to rectify the situations that Mr. Nelligan keeps putting forward. That's all, I had some surveying done and plans drawn up. I just want to know what my next step is.' Gerard Clifford, 'Mr. Chairman I would like to note that this should be an agenda item. This is a sketch plan, or a site plan, we can't give advice on sketch plans or site plans that might be before us in the future. I can understand that Mr. Moreau would like to know the processes for moving forward, but as a Board we can't review a sketch plan that's not on the agenda or a site plan that's not on the agenda.' Mr. LaLonde introduced himself as a land surveyor and explained that he is helping Mr. Moreau make Reed Lane a private way. He requested the survey that Mr. Moreau gave the Board, be counted as a submission for the next Planning Board agenda. Mr. Yale determined that as a submission for the next agenda the Board would not review the documentation presented tonight. Mr. Yale asked to clarify for the record that Mr. Moreau was told by a town officer, the CEO (Code Enforcement Officer), that he could bring this here tonight.

Mr. Moreau also asked, 'Who in this Town, that I pay taxes to, can give me some answers? That's all I want, I thought it was a simple question.' The Board agreed that Mr. Moreau will be on the agenda at the March meeting where they may be able to give him some guidance moving forward.

Mr. Nelligan reiterated his request, for the record, that Mr. Yale should recuse himself from any hearings regarding Mr. Moreau's application.

#### **IV. Review of Minutes (January 19, 2021)**

The Board members present reviewed the minutes and found a typo; Dobson Woods Subdivision should be Watson Woods Subdivision. This will be corrected. Gerard Clifford made a motion to approve the minutes as amended with the correction. It was seconded by Allen Jackson. Motion carried with all in favor.

#### **V. Business**

##### **a. Recreational Marijuana Ordinance Discussion**

Without a full Board present this agenda item was not discussed.

**b. Local Food and Community Self-Governance Ordinance Discussion**

Without a full Board present this agenda item was not discussed.

**c. Solar Project Discussion**

Mr. Clifford asked to discuss this item. He explained that the Board had requested an environmental report from the Selectmen regarding this project, which they have not received yet. Jesse Stacey noted that he has not seen any documentation from the environmental study. Mr. Stacey believes that the report would need to be requested from the company. Mr. Clifford explained that the Town Clerk, Mr. Bower, received the information after the project was approved. Mr. Clifford's concern is that the project was reviewed and completed before the environmental report were provided to the Board. Mr. Stacey explained that they, Flycatcher, LLC, are paying the Town to do nothing with the land over the next three years so that they can conduct their studies, they won't spend money on the studies until it's approved by the Town. Mr. Yale was on the Board at the time that the solar project was discussed and there were environmental reports provided, as well as other required studies. Mr. Yale agreed that it's hard to get a straight answer, Mr. Moreau is a great example of that. Mr. Clifford's concerns have been noted for the record.

**d. CEO Attendance Discussion**

Without a full Board present this agenda item was not discussed.

**e. Appeal Board Decision (January 12, 2021)**

Without a full Board present this agenda item was not discussed.

**f. Secretary Discussion**

The Board had discussed changing to the Planning Board meeting day and time at the January meeting, but wanted to wait until a full Board was present. Without a full Board present tonight Desirae Lyle agreed to wait until the March meeting for a decision to be made regarding changing the day and time of the meetings.

Allen Jackson made a motion that if there is a full Board present at the March meeting, that the Board have a detailed discussion on changing the day and time of the Planning Board meetings and put it in the record so that everyone is aware of when the day and time shall be. It was seconded by Andy Yale. Motion carried with all in favor.

**VI. Adjournment**

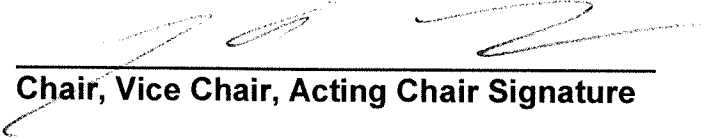
Allen Jackson made a motion to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. It was seconded by Andy Yale. Motion carried with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,



Desirae Lyle  
PPB Secretary

Approved by the Board at the March 16, 2021 Meeting.



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Chair, Vice Chair, Acting Chair Signature