

**Town of Grand Isle
Minutes of Planning Commission
July 17, 2018**

Board Members Present:

Shawn Mercy, Chair
David Graham, Vice-Chair
Dwight Bullis
Andy Paradee
Jeff Parizo

Absent:

Melissa Boutin

Guests:

None

- A. Meeting is called to order at 7:00 PM by Shawn Mercy, Chair.
- B. Amend: No changes
- C. Guests: No guests
- D. Discuss Proposed Timeline for any Bylaw/Subdivision Changes: PC members not aware of any changes needed at this time. Private Solar Array Preferred Status sites are looking for support letters from both Planning and Select Boards. There is no need to have in the Bylaws. A recent request was given to both boards and both boards agreed to write a joint letter. Jeff Parizo will follow up with Rachael to see who is writing the letter of support.
- E. Update (if any) from Structural Engineer: Shawn explains to PC members that there has been word back from the structural engineer. He has taken a look at the old fire station building (at no charge to the town). In order to bring the building up to current code, support columns would need to be added where the big trusses are as well as new insulation. Shawn did a bit of research (no printed information) and figured for the trusses, insulation, concrete slab and new siding, it would be approximately \$116K. Feasible to do but currently there is another building with a higher priority which is the Town Garage. Shawn Mercy suggests getting a rendering of the old fire station as a more current, up-to-date building that shows the front garage doors gone with a new front entrance, etc. Jeff Parizo believes the next steps for both projects are associated costs. The old fire station will need updates on waste water too. East Engineering will be contacted to see if he can provide the layout of the garage and salt shed behind the new fire station (1 of 2 sites recommended) as well waste water at the old fire station and both project costs. The Hazardous Mitigation Plan has been approved by FEMA and there may be some funding available for replacing the town garage that wasn't available before having this plan in place. Discussion ensued on culvert replacement and again additional monies being available thru FEMA or State – if funds are obtainable then all the culverts in need should be done at once.

- F.** Update from Other Meeting Attendance: At the Select Board meeting last night, Bill Baron was clearly upset that he has not been notified in the process of one of the proposed garage sites – the Annex property – he stressed some time ago that he wanted to be involved from the beginning to the end. PC members agree that Bill Baron as an adjoining property owner will get notified if that site were to be chosen and when the project goes to the DRB. This is the same time all other adjoining property owners will be notified. That is the correct process and in the interim any one at any time can attend a PC meeting. Or any other meeting. There are agendas posted around town and on the website.
- G.** Review & Approve Minutes: Shawn noted under Item F a word could be added to read correctly – “the” before 06/05/18. A motion is made by Dwight Bullis to approve the 06/19/18 minutes with one correction. Jeff Parizo seconds. Members vote. All are in favor. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled to be held 7PM on Tuesday, August 7, 2018 at the Town Municipal Office.

A motion is made by David Graham to adjourn. Jeff Parizo seconds the motion. Members vote. All are in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned by Shawn Mercy at 7:35PM.

Respectfully Submitted: Melissa A. Boutin, Planning Commission, Scribe