

Approved: October 8, 2007

Selectboard Special Meeting
Review of Proposed Zoning Regulations
October 3, 2007
7:00–7:25 p.m.

Present: Paul Saenger, Bob Warren, Steve Goodrich, Art Remick, Marthe Fisher
Guests: Bob Growney, Larry Provost, Scott Stanley, Karen Shackett, Meg Barnes

Call to order: Paul called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

Minutes: Selectboard reviewed Minutes of 9/19 meeting. Paul questioned appearance of question-marks throughout. Robin indicated should be Section marks (§), likely a software/printer misunderstanding. Will look for the cause and correct. Bob MOVED to accept as written; Paul SECONDED; Motion PASSED

Discussion: *Steve:* The reviewing seems to be heading toward a rewrite of the entire document rather than either making minor corrections or identifying major areas of concern to be returned to the Planners for correction; should move the regs along to residents for a vote. Concerns discussed at last meeting (9/19/07) should be dropped.

Marthe: concurs with Steve; despite minor errors, nothing in this doc warrants not sending to the voters.

Steve: MOVE to *take document to the voters as received.* Marthe SECONDED.

Discussion:

Art: Document is not ready, is not a finished document. There are spelling, grammatical, factual errors throughout; sending to voters as-is would be a dereliction of his duty.

Bob: Is not the Selectboard's job to proof-read and pick apart the document

Paul: In favor of sending on to voters as-is, it is for them to decide if, in the broader view, they can live with the regs as written; whether the document is "finished" in regards to spellings, grammar, formatting, etc is likely a lesser concern than the broad view.

Question: Can document go directly to the voters, or are one or more Public Hearings required? A Public Hearing is needed, at which time residents' revision concerns will be noted; residents may petition for a revision of the regulations or may petition that they be voted on as -is. Depending on outcome of Hearing, and/or petition(s), Board can decide degree of revising needed, and send back to Planners if necessary, or move it along for a vote.

Steve: Original motion RESCINDED; Marthe SECONDS.

Steve: MOVE that the *Proposed Zoning Regulations be taken as-is to a Public Hearing.* Marthe SECONDED.

Discussion: Board has 120 days post-receipt of regs to hold the Hearing, also noted that 15 business days needed for Warnings are needed prior to the hearing date.

Steve: AMENDED his motion to include a date; amended motion: the *Proposed Zoning Regulations be taken as-is to a Public Hearing on November 5.* Marthe SECONDED; Motion PASSED—4 ayes/1 nay.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Robin Conway
Minute Taker

Signed: _____
Marthe Fisher, Secretary
Town of Shoreham Selectboard