

**MINUTES  
RICHMOND PLANNING BOARD  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2016  
TOWN OFFICE MEETING ROOM 6:00P.M.**

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Wes Thames, Curtis Neufeld, Jeff Severance, Linda Doran, Larry Srock, Brian Hurley, O'Neil Laplante, Gary Poulin, Shawn Pierce, Aaron Hinkley, Mike Wing, Jessica Alexander, Jean Hinkley and Mike Wing.

**2.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**2.1 Gary Poulin: Development Review/Public Hearing: Gun and Bow Shop**

Gary Poulin stated that he is proposing a 26 x 40 gun and archery shop to be located on the Parks Road. This is a proposed commercial business in a residential area which requires full development review.

The planning board moved into Article 8 Section B Development Review.

The board found that a schedule of construction would need to be provided.

The board found that buffering would be needed by placing trees along the front and side of the property.

All State and Federal applications have been applied.

Jeff Severance made a motion to find the application complete pending receipt of the construction timeline, Larry Srock seconded, motion passed (5-0).

Chair, Linda Doran opened the public hearing to public comment.

Resident, Jean Hinkley had concerns on the location of the building and with the animals in the area considering its rural location as well as the timeline on shooting activities.

Gary Poulin replied to the location of the building and where it would be placed on his property and stated that shooting would be by appointment only between the hours of 9a.m. and 6p.m., with shorter winter hours. There would be restrictions on shooting and a range officer would be monitoring the shooting.

Resident Aaron Hinkley stated he had concerns with the noise and the use of automatic weapons he is an Iraq Veteran and does not want to live with the sounds of a war zone. Resident Jean Hinkley was also concerned with black powder guns and containment of the led.

Gary Poulin explained how the containment of the powder and led worked.

Aaron Hinkley stated he is opposed to the development.

The Board closed the public hearing.

The board moved to Article 8 Section C Approval Standards and Criteria.

The Board found the application to meet the standards.

Brian Hurley made a motion to approve the application under the conditions that a buffering and landscape plan be provided as well as a schedule of construction, Jeff Severance seconded, motion passed (5-0).

### **3.0 NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Pre Application for Gary Emmons Exit 43 Proposed Commercial Construction**

Wes Thames and Curtis Neufeld presented on behalf of the project. The proposed project would consist of constructing a 6,400+/- commercial convenience store. This building would be placed behind the current store. Once construction is completed the old store would be demolished. They are proposing using the same site inventory and analysis plan that was done in 2008. They do not expect the traffic flow to increase. The site will remain the same with the same entrances/exits.

Jeff Severance made a motion to find the project as a major development, Brian Hurley seconded, motion passed (5-0). The board scheduled the project for development review and public hearing on February 23.

### **4.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **4.1 Land Use Ordinance Discussion**

The board reviewed the draft changes to the Land Use Ordinance Article 8. The consensus of the board was to remove the "Fire Hydrant" requirement from the ordinance. The board approved the additional verbiage explaining exterior lighting.

James Valley stated that in follow up to recent discussion regarding the Harland-Lebel lot amendment no planning board approval is required and that the town is taken no action at this time.

### **5.0 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 5, 2016**

Brian Hurley made a motion to approve the minutes, Larry Srock seconded, motion passed (4-0-1), Jessica Alexander abstained from vote.

## **6.0 ADJOURNMENT**

Jessica Alexander made a motion to adjourn at 7:40p.m., Larry Srock seconded, motion passed (5-0).