

# CITY OF GLOUCESTER

# PLANNING BOARD

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday October 20, 2011 at 7:00 PM 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room, City Hall, 9 Dale Avenue, Gloucester Richard Noonan, Chair

Members Present:
Richard Noonan, Chair
Mary Black, Vice Chair
Henry McCarl
Karen Gallagher
Marvin Kushner
Joseph Orlando

**Staff:** Gregg Cademartori, Planning Director Pauline Doody, Recording Clerk

# I. <u>BUSINESS</u>

- A. Call to Order with a Quorum of the Planning Board
- B. Introduction of Planning Board Members and Staff
- C. Approval of Minutes of September 15, 2011

Corrections to minutes were reviewed by the board.

Motion: To accept the corrected minutes for September 15, 2011

1<sup>st</sup>: Marvin Kushner 2<sup>nd</sup>; Karen Gallagher Vote: Approved 6-0

- II. PUBLIC COMMENT None
- III. CONSENT AGENDA

#### A. ANR APPLICATIONS

1. Alan J. Murtagh to divide one lot into three at 647 Essex Avenue (Assessors Map 237, Lot 44.)

**Mr.** Cademartori stated this application is currently being reviewed by the Conservation Commission. There is an existing home on one of the lots. The intention is to raise the garden shed that is dilapidated. The existing lot with the structure will maintain its access off Essex Ave and frontage from Essex Ave and the two newer lots will have access off Andrews's court. It connects back to Essex Ave.

2. Motion: The subdivision control law does not apply for the application to divide one lot into three at 647 Essex Avenue (Assessors Map 237, Lot 44.)

1<sup>st</sup>: Karen Gallagher 2<sup>nd</sup>: Henry McCarl Vote: Approved 6-0

3. James Theodore Harries to divide one lot into two at **59 Folly Point Road** (Assessors Map 147, Lot 14).

**Mr. Cademartori** stated that this is an application to create a non buildable lot that will be conveyed to the adjoining property. They are trying to resolve past issues and create conformity for the new structure

4. Motion: The subdivision control law does not apply for the application to divide one lot into two at 59 Folly Point Road (Assessors Map 147, Lot 14).

1st: Mary Black
2nd: Joe Orlando
Vote: Approved 6-0

3. Carrigan Development, LLC to divide one lot into three at 125 Bray Street (Assessors Map 242, Lot 43).

**Mr. Cademartori** stated this is a re-division. The ANR was approved last winter after a site visit was held to examine the frontage. At that time it was divided into 4 lots from the existing parent lot. Since that time there was contact with the applicant and Greenbelt and eventually made an appeal to the CPC and other funding sources to acquire a portion of the parent property. Mr. Cademartori reviewed plan with the board and stated that is confining it down to two lots

Ms. Gallagher stated the conveyance is being partially funded by CPA funds

Motion: The subdivision control law does not apply to the application for *Carrigan Development*, *LLC* to divide one lot into three at 125 Bray Street(Assessors Map 242, Lot 43).

1<sup>st</sup>: Henry McCarl 2<sup>nd</sup>: Karen Gallagher Vote: Approved

#### B. SITE PLAN REVIEW

Gloucester Lyceum and Sawyer Free Library to construct a new parking lot at 2 Dale Avenue, 3 Mason Street, and 5 & 7 School Street (Assessors Map 29 Lots 69,64, 66 & 65). (Continued to November 3, 2011)

Motion: To continue Gloucester Lyceum and Sawyer Free Library to construct a new parking lot at 2 Dale Avenue, 3 Mason Street, and 5 & 7 School Street (Assessors Map 29 Lots 69,64, 66 & 65) to November 3, 2011.

1<sup>st</sup>: Mary Black 2<sup>nd</sup>: Henry McCarl Vote: Approved

#### IV. PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Noonan opened the public hearing.

To consider amending the Zoning Ordinance by adding or amending the following proposed Ordinances: Gloucester Zoning Ordinance Sec. 1.5.3 be amended pursuant to MGL c40A §5 and Gloucester Zoning Ordinance Sec. 1.11 and 1.11.2(e) by

**DELETING:** in Sec. 1.5.3(a) references to "11 copies thereof"; and Sec.1.5.3(b) "five (5) full size sets and eleven (11) 11"x17" sets" and Sec. 1.5.3(c) "five(5) full size sets and eleven (11) 11"x17" sets of"; and

**ADDING:** "one original and one copy thereof provided that the applicant also provides the application and all required submissions in digital form. Digital submission is strongly preferred, otherwise eleven (11) copies 11"x17" (11x17 inches) and five (5) copies 2'x3' (2x3 feet) must be provided"; and by

**AMENDING** Gloucester Zoning Ordinance "Appendix A -Rule 25: Rules of Procedure Special Permit Procedures" – Part I and Part II to be consistent with Sec. 1.5.3 as amended.

**Mr. Cademartori** stated it's something that should be supported. In comparing ordinances from other communities, these changes are fairly standard. It is a cost savings to the city and the applicant. It does give the homeowner the options to file a paper copy.

**Public Comment: None** 

Motion: To recommend that the City Council amend the Gloucester Zoning Ordinance with the proposed language as drafted.

1<sup>st</sup>: Joe Orlando 2<sup>nd</sup>: Karen Gallaher **Vote: Approved** 

## V. <u>OTHER BUSINESS</u>

Chairman's Report

Mr. Noonan stated he has withdrawn from the City Council race.

## Planner's Report

**Mr. Cademartori** informed the boards of upcoming applications as there have been requests for information on subdivisions coming into the office. He stated he has been coordinating with Mark Shank regarding the Watershed boundaries which requires a vote from the Board of Health and Planning Board. Seabreeze Estates on Atlantic St. will most likely come in with a preliminary submission. He stated the last item to report is that Magnolia Reach is likely to go to auction on November 8. There is no further update on Silva Court at this time.

**Ms. Gallagher** stated that the CPC has recommended using CPA funds for both the Greenbelt purchase of land and the library project previously discussed.

**Mr. Cademartori** stated that B&F has heard all the projects, but site visits have not been scheduled yet. **Ms. Gallagher** stated that some of the projects may not warrant site visits.

**Mr. McCarl** stated that PIRC is moving ahead in pulling summaries together which will be an update of the current plan.

#### VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To Adjourn 1<sup>st</sup>: Henry McCarl 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joe Orlando Vote: Approved 6-0

#### VII. <u>NEXT MEETING</u>

Next regular meeting of the Planning Board is Thursday November 3, 2011 Planning Board Members: If you are unable to attend the next meeting please contact the Planning Office at (978)281-9781.