

**TOWN OF MAYNARD
PLANNING BOARD**

195 Main Street, Maynard, Room101
Tuesday, June 24, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Vice-chair Max Lamson, Gregory Tuzzolo, Kevin Calzia, Jason Kreil (alternate).

7:07 p.m. Vice-Chair Lamson opened the meeting

7:10 p.m. **Miscellaneous Business: Foresite Engineering request for minor modification to the “Taylor Road Subdivision, Definitive Subdivision Plan of Land in Maynard, Mass” regarding street lights.**

James Fenton from Distinctive Acton Homes appeared before the Board. Building Inspector Rick Asmann was also present. Mr. Fenton distributed letters from abutters he does not have letters from Fire Chief or Police Chief but stated the Police Chief did want the lights. Six abutter letters want the lights eliminated, one abutter wants the lights. The request is to eliminate three street lights previously approved. Mr. Fenton showed the location of the lights on a plan.

The Board looked at the location of the proposed street lights, reviewed the subdivision bylaw to determine if the request falls under a minor modification. The Board discussed different options; first if public safety says they want the lights the Board should hear from police over abutters, another option the Board would consider is reducing but not totally eliminating the lights. This is the opportunity to install the lights, the town can always have them turned off, if they don't go in now they will never go in. The Board felt that they should get letters from Fire, Police and DPW and owners that have lots under agreement, this will be discussed further at the meeting of July 8th.

7:40 p.m. **Openings on the Board**

Vice-chair Lamson stated there are two spots on the Board, one regular member, one alternate. The interested residents were Andrew D'Amour, David Krijger, Chris Worthy and Linda Connolly. Each gave an overview of why they are interested in becoming a member, their profession and how long they have lived in town. Max stated it is great to see so much interest, and opened the discussion up to Board members and a member of the Board of Selectmen with questions.

The Board members described when the Board meets, formats for meetings, reviewing of information that goes out electronically before meeting. Jason stated that the town now has a full time planner just starting, and also with the reorganization of Municipal Services Department the Board has some clerk staff, improving the processes with minutes and documents and bylaws. The Board described that they spent a lot of time focusing on a small section of the bylaws last year, it is always good to get new ideas and prioritize, but always have to be ready to react to what comes in the door.

The Chair of the Board of Selectmen stated the Board is comprised of five members and one associate, the Board has to balance what you have to handle within timeframes, have to be proactive, the Board has the authority and responsibility to set policy which can have a significant impact on community. The prospective members will be interviewed by the Board of Selectmen on July 7th and then the Selectmen will appoint the new member and associate.

Max mentioned that the member's terms are staggered so spots open up each year. The Board thanked the candidates for their interest and not to get discouraged if not appointed this round and also stated that there are many other Boards needing members including the Economic Development Board.

A motion was made by Greg to adjourn, seconded by Kevin.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.