

Planning Board Minutes of March 25, 2013

Present: Daniel Kowalik, Acting Chairman
Richard E. Forrestel
Robert Anderson

Absent: Brian Perry, Chairman
Mary Jane Shonn
Brian Murray, Alternate
Paul Bowers, Engineer

Meeting Began: 7:02 P.M.

Chairman Perry opened the meeting with a welcome to everyone.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Anderson to approve the minutes of the Planning Board Meeting of January 14, 2013. Carried unanimously

18 Front Street

Jason and Amy Baumgart from 32 Front Street came before the Board to discuss a proposed Christmas Tree Farm on the property located at 18 Front Street. A 10 acre parcel located behind their property would support the new enterprise. This property used to house the bowling pin factory that burned down many years ago. The property is accessed by a gravel driveway off of Front Street. Mr. Baumgart stated that he would plant the trees on the 4 acres at the rear of the property and utilize an existing garage for cashier and snack shop. A small parking lot would be located near the garage. He stated that the front 6 acres of the parcel would be left as is allowing a buffer for the neighbors lining that parcel. Mr. Baumgart stated that he would purchase the trees from a nursery in Pennsylvania who would grow them in a seed bed for five years and then transport them to the farm. The estimated growing time for the trees would be about eight years. Mr. Forrestel questioned what kind of trees he would be planting. His plans are to plant the following firs: Douglas, Frasier, and Blue Spruce. After further discussion the board agreed to forward the project on to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Anderson to recommend to the Zoning Board of Appeals the approval of a Christmas Tree Farm located at 18 Front Street be and hereby is approved. Carried Unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 P.M. on a motion from Anderson and seconded by Forrester. Carried Unanimously

**Next Planning Board meeting: April 29, 2013
7:00 pm**

Submitted by:
Daniel Kowalik, Acting Planning Board Chairman