

Town of Acton, Maine

Planning Board Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: March 15, 2018

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Tom Cashin – Vice Chairman
Yoli Gallagher
Joyce Bakshi
Gavin Maloney
Donovan Lajoie

Members Absent: Bob Smith, - excused
Leslie Berlan - excused

Also present: Ken Paul, CEO; Dawn Harwood, Recording Secretary; Virginia Deboer, Video Recorder;

The Vice Chairman called the Public Hearing to order at 7:01 pm

Approval of Minutes of March 1, 2018: Moved by Yoli Gallagher to accept the minutes as written Gavin Maloney seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Old Business:

- **Revisions to Monarch Mountain Minerals Existing Conditional Use Permit:** The CEO stated that Monarch Mountain Minerals is applying to expand the hours and days they can crush materials. He added that he, the Deputy CEO and Board Members conducted a site walk at 6:00 pm that day to observe crushing operations at Monarch Mountain Minerals. Tom Harmon of Civil Consultants spoke on behalf of Monarch Mountain stating that his clients are requesting approval for rock crushing for up to 800 hours per year, approximately 6 hours per day on days of operation. Mr. Harmon explained they would be planning to crush Monday through Friday 9am to 3pm. Expanding the hours of crushing would not change the trucking in and out of the facility.

The CEO explained that the current Conditional Use states that Monarch Mountain is limited to 15 days per year between October 1 and May 1, only on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00pm. A Public Hearing is set for April 5th, 2018 at 7:00pm. Copies of the original Conditional Use Permit on this project will be available.

Board Members set the Public Hearing for reviewing the requested changes to the Conditional Use Permit to be on April 5, 2018 at 7:15 pm. to be first on the agenda.

- **Set Public Hearing Date for Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments:** Board Members set the Public Hearing for reviewing the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments for April 5, 2018 at 7:00pm. Proposed amendments to the Ordinance regarding Timber Harvesting will be discussed first followed by Additional Dwelling Units, Vacant Lots and Mineral Exploration and Excavation.

Code Enforcement: The CEO suggested setting a site walk to review a Best Practical Location application submitted by Jason and Jessica Roy, 63 Stonewall Drive, Map 127 Lot 004 at 6:00pm on April 5th before the Public Hearing.

Adjournment: Tom Cashin, Vice Chairman, adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m.