

TOWN OF BENNINGTON  
PLANNING BOARD  
Minutes of the Meeting- July 14, 2014

Present        David McKenzie, Chairman  
                 Christopher Maple, Vice Chairman  
                 Jeffrey Rose, Ex Officio  
                 Sam Cohen

Chairman McKenzie called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

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The Board reviewed the Master Plan Survey to be mailed out to all addresses in town and registered voters. Minor amendments were made to page one of the survey. The survey will be mailed out and given a two week window for return. The Board suggested that the deadline for the return of the survey be Monday, August 4, 2014. Chairman McKenzie will bring the survey to the Town Office to have copies made and mailed.

Jeffrey Rose noted that there has been a discrepancy noticed between what was proposed verbally and what was listed on the plat for the size of the parking spaces at JCL Septic. The minutes reflect what was said at the Public Hearing. It is assumed that Mr. Charlonne misspoke when he noted the parking space size.

The Board addressed the operation of Taste of Texas. According to the February 4, 2013 minutes, the Taste of Texas is not a dine-in facility. It currently has a number of picnic tables where patrons are encouraged to eat. The Taste of Texas is also in violation of the Bennington Sign Ordinance. They currently have multiple signs posted for their facility. Jeffrey Rose will speak to the owner and suggest that she go to the Selectmen to have their permit modified.

It was noted that the section 13-Fees of the Planning Board Rules of Procedure is in need of amendments. Section 13.4 shall include "plus actual cost of required newspaper notices". The second Section 13.6 shall be changed to Section 13.8, and "Section 13.7 Fees for Recording by the Registry of Deeds" added. David McKenzie made a motion to adopt the changes made dated July 14, 2014. Christopher Maple seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Jeffrey Rose asked about the Manna property and the sign noting rentals of boats and canoes. Mr. Manna will need to see the Planning Board for a site plan review. Chairman McKenzie will send Mr. Manna a letter asking him to come to see the Planning Board and explain his business plan.

There being no other business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Debra Belcher  
Planning Board Recording Secretary