

PALMER REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, November 3, 2015

Planning Department Office
7:00PM

I Call to Order

Chairman Alphonse Lasota called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present were members Joseph Turek and Jan McCoy. Also present was Town manager Charlie Blanchard and Community Development Director Alice Davey. Nicole Parker was present recording minutes.

II New Business

A.Davies stated that it is believed that more training is necessary to run an efficient Board. It was stated that there is a process for public board's and needs to be adhered to. She distributed simplified rules. There was discussion of clashing personalities and the need to work together to be cohesive.

Minutes: September 2015 & October 2015

Motion was made to approve September minutes as amended by J.Turek. Seconded by J.McCoy. Motion passed (3:0)

Motion was made to approve October minutes as amended by J.Turek. Seconded by J.McCoy. Motion passed (3:0)

A.Davey was present to speak to the Board regarding the Open Meeting Law and its guidelines.

Motion was made to take agenda items out of order by J.Turek. Seconded by J.McCoy. Motion passed (3:0)

A.Davey dispersed cases against public boards from around Massachusetts where open meeting law was not followed. It was stated that discussing PRA business while not in an open meeting is prohibited. She also stated that any questions that the Board has should and is encouraged to be directed to the Attorney General's office.

A.Davey then showed the Board the open meeting law video that is distributed to public bodies throughout Massachusetts from the Attorney General's office.

J.McCoy requested the members to watch it on their own.

The Board thanked Ms. Davey and Mr. Blanchard for their time and assured them they would take their advice under advisement.

Three Rivers Project

The PRA stated that they are not designated to the project yet.

Motion was made to table the topic until more information comes available by A.Lasota.
Seconded by J.Turek. Motion passed (3:0)

N.Parker handed A.Lasota Daniel Slowick's official resignation letter. He submitted it to Town Manager Charlie Blanchard dated October 29, 20145 and was effective immediately.

PRA audit

It was stated that Daniel Slowick was the one working on this project. J.Turek offered to take over from this point on. He stated that he will have a report for the next meeting.

Fletcher & Sippel Report

Daniel Slowick was working on this so there is no information available. A.Lasota stated that he would try and gather some information for the next meeting.

Repair to Industrial Park Sign

It was brought to the Board's attention that one of the directional and informational signs has been destroyed. It was stated that Daniel Slowick was working on this. J.McCoy stated that the DPW would probably know something about it. The Board will try and get information and report back.

Trespass on Property

N.Parker stated that the police department called the Planning Office around the second week of November to report that there are people staying on the PRA property and complaints were coming in. The P.D wanted a representative from the PRA to endorse some no trespassing signs. Daniel Slowick was notified and went to the department to authorize.

Marketing Study, Holbrook Site

Motion was made to table this topic until a Urban Renewal Plan can be created by A.Lasota.
Seconded by J.McCoy. Motion passed (3:0)

Replacement of Central Street Sign

It was stated that Daniel Slowick was responsible for this project. The Board will look for more information and report back next month.

III Meeting Date

J.McCoy suggested the meeting commence at 6:00PM. The Board all agreed that they are available at that time. The next meeting date was set for December 1, 2015 at 6:00PM

IV Adjournment 9:00PM

Motion was made to adjourn at 9:00PM by J.Turek. Seconded by J.McCoy. Motion passed (3:0)