

**Westwood Planning Board
Joint Meeting with Board of Selectmen
Minutes
Monday, August 17, 2015
Westwood Library Meeting Room
660 High St. - 7:45 PM**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ch. Pfaff at approximately 7:50 p.m.

Present:

Planning Board members: Ch. Chris Pfaff, Steve Olanoff, Bruce Montgomery and Trevor Laubenstein. John Wiggin was absent. Staff members present: Town Planner Abigail McCabe, and Janice Barba Planning & Land Use Specialist, who recorded the minutes.

Appointment of Associate Planning Board Members:

- Purpose – to have associate members (3 year terms) to sit on the Board in the case of absence, inability to act, or conflict of interest on the part of any elected member of the Board, or in the event of a vacancy.
- The following individuals submitted a resume and / or letters of interest and are present before the boards tonight: Peter Hack, Todd Sullivan, Linda Walsh and Steve Rafsky (Mr. Rafsky was not present).
- Selectman Michael Walsh recused himself from participating and left the room because his wife was a candidate.
- Selectman Ahearn called for nominations and statements about each candidate.
- Each candidate gave a brief introduction and responded to questions about how their qualifications and background would apply to being an Associate Planning Board Member.

Motion/Action Taken:

Upon a motion by Mr. Montgomery and seconded by Mr. Olanoff, the Planning Board voted 4-0 in favor to appoint Steve Rafsky to the first three year Associate Member. Board members noted his negotiation skills, history on the Board, experience as a former Board member, continuity and his exemplary and instrumental past in support of his nomination.

Upon a motion by Mr. Montgomery and seconded by Mr. Olanoff, the Board voted 4-0 in favor to appoint Todd Sullivan for a two year term year term as Associate Planning Board members. Board members noted his knowledge of the building code and construction experience, role as a Conservation Commissioner in support of his nomination.

The Board of Selectmen voted for Steve Rafsky to the three year term and voted for Linda Walsh for the two year term. The nomination for Linda did not pass and Todd Sullivan was appointed as the second associate member.

Introduction of MAB Community Services – 32 Meadowbrook Road

Barbara Salisbury, CEO of MAB Community Services gave a presentation and answered questions of both the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, town staff and the abutters of 32 Meadowbrook Road.

Adjournment:

Upon a motion by Mr. Montgomery and seconded by Mr. Olanoff, the Board voted unanimously in favor to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:45 p.m.