

AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

January 3, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark R. Paleologopoulos, Chairman
Violet E. Baldwin
Charles Elfman
Nicholas Pandolfi
Mario Tedeschi

ALSO PRESENT:

Marc Strange
Amanda Boissonneault

Mr. Paleologopoulos called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

1. Public Hearing – Amend. to Subdivision Rules and Regulations – Hiring Outside Consultants
The suggested amendment to the Planning Board’s Subdivision Rules and Regulations would allow the Planning Board to impose a reasonable fee for the employment of an outside consultant to review certain applications, as provided by M.G.L. chapter 44 section 53G. The amendment defines how imposed fees are to be received and processed, appeal procedures, and what action the Planning Board can take if the applicant fails to provide the consultant fee. Ms. Baldwin asked if a list of qualified consultants would be provided to the board. The members questioned if the peer review process would only be for applications that fall under subdivisions rules and regulations, or if it can also be used during site plan review. Mr. Strange said he would consult with the Law Department to clarify if this amendment would also apply to site plans.

Mr. Paleologopoulos opened the meeting to the public; no one spoke for or against.

Motion made by Mr. Tedeschi and seconded by Mr. Pandolfi to close the public hearing.

VOTE 5-0

Motion made by Ms. Baldwin and seconded by Mr. Pandolfi to continue the public hearing for hiring outside consultants until the Planning Board’s next meeting.

VOTE 5-0

2. Approval of Minutes – December 20, 2018

Motion made by Mr. Elfman and seconded by Mr. Tedeschi to approve the December 20, 2018 minutes as written.

VOTE 4-0-1 (Pandolfi abstained)

3. Correspondences - None

The meeting adjourned at 6:24 PM