

Zoning Board of Appeals

Minutes of Monday, October 3, 2016 - 7:00 PM

<u>Board of Appeals members present</u>: Gerry Mann, Charles Dudek, Osa Flory & Marcianna Caplis
<u>Absent</u>: None
<u>Applicants Present</u>: Eleanor & Michael Hebert
<u>Public Present</u>: Chris Flory, Gail & Nels Christenson, Sherry Clark, David & Diane Punska, and Elizabeth Schuster

Continuation of Public Hearing-106 South Street-M. Hebert & Blue Planet Energy

(CD) opened the continued hearing for 106 South Street. This public hearing is a continuation of a public hearing that was held on 8/10/17. The Board did a site visit to the property on 9/26/17.

Mr. Hebert stated to the Board that he does not wish to continue with the Research & Development of the pellets portion of his Special Permit Application.

The Board noted that at their site visit they asked Mr. Hebert to start up the machinery. They went to several different locations on the property lines and walked up and down the street to hear how much noise was generated from the different machines. Different machines had different levels of noise. Cutting of the boards made less noise than processing the firewood.

Nels Christenson voiced concern that this is still a commercial venture and he opposes the truck traffic that will be bringing in logs for processing.

(CD) noted that this type of activity may be allowed with a special permit in a rural zone and they would be able to limit the noise, lighting, hours of operation and possibly traffic to the business. Under Section 5.5 of the Zoning Bylaw in the schedule of use table this type of business is allowed with a Special Permit.

Motion made (MC) and seconded (OF) to close the Public Hearing. Motion so voted.

(CD) would like more time to think about this decision. The Board will meet on 10/11/17 for a decision meeting.

The Board also wishes to modify the decision for 45 Mountain Street to correct an inadvertent error. This modification would amend the decision for clarification.

(GM) moved and (OF) seconded to insert the sentence as proposed by (CD) into the decision as shown under "Decision of the Board".

Motion made (MC) and seconded (OF) to adjourn. Motion so voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Lessard, Secretary