**WEST TISBURY PLANNING BOARD MINUTES August 27, 2018 5:30 PM**

**PRESENT:** Ginny Jones, Bea Phear, Susan Silva, Leah Smith, Matthew Merry, Henry Geller.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Doug Hoehn, Jane Rossi

Ginny opened the meeting at 5:30 pm.

**Form A application from Schofield, Barbini & Hoehn on behalf of Clarke and William Bruno for a lot line adjustment on the property located at Map 31, Lot 18.1, under section 4..3-3 C of the zoning bylaws:**

Doug displayed a plan that the board had preliminarily reviewed at the previous board meeting. He explained that the plan shows an increase in the width of the entrance to the road by moving the southern lot line more to the south. The road will access a newly created rear lot under section 4.3-3 C

*Bea made a motion to approve the plan and Leah seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.*

*Ginny signed the plans and Mylar.*

**DISCUSSION:**

**●DeBlois Form A plan:**

Doug pointed out that the Planning Board has approved several plans. He said the tax maps are different than what has been approved. There will be yet another plan to approve in the near future. He stated that all of the plans can be recorded but the one that represents the first lot sold, will be the plan that the Assessor’s use for tax purposes.

**●Ginny’s discussion with Adam Turner:**

Ginny said that Adam Turner was in Menemsha recently and sat down with her to discuss various items:

**Huseby Meadow Farm:**

Adam wanted to know if “No further subdivision”, which is in the board’s decision, ran with the land. Bea pointed out that in terms of the pre-school, the board has no power to prohibit it. There is no plan before the board at this time.

**Assistance with the Master Plan.**

**Assistance on updating the zoning bylaws.**

**Surtax on rentals:**

Ginny said that West Tisbury is the only town that doesn’t have a surtax on rentals. Leah pointed out that there is only one Inn in town, the Lambert’s Cove Inn. Noah’s Ark might also be considered an Inn, since it has so many rooms for rent. There are also a number of air b and b’s in town. Henry said that the Selectmen should be dealing with short and long term rental taxes.

Ginny said that at some point Adam and the board needs to have a discussion. Jane said Adam is coming in on September 17th. House Bill #4841 explains the rental tax bill.

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**FURTHER DISCUSSION:**

**Discussion with Bill Coogan:**

Ginny informed the board that she had a discussion with Bill Coogan. He told her that change is always difficult, but for the most part he is happy with his section of Dr. Fisher Road. He said the Maciels are easy to work with and they are cooperative. Ginny said that the ABC lot is a mess. Some of the Larkosh rented property looks relatively tidy. However the Packish portion could be cleaned up. Miller doesn’t seem to be using their section. Matt pointed out that Miller is renting a space in Vineyard Haven behind the old Hinckley’s.

**A question from Jane regarding road maintenance in a subdivision:**

Jane explained to the board that she had received a call from someone who stated that one of his road association members wants the road returned to the condition that is required in the subdivision control laws. The road had been recently repaired after the road had been dug up to do some electrical repair work. Jane asked the board if it is a requirement that the road be professionally repaired. Leah and others said that it now a road association issue. They suggested the property owner contact Leo DeSorcy.

Bea suggested drafting a one page guide on how to form a road association. Jane said she would look into obtaining some language.

**Lambert’s Cove Beach parking lot:**

Jane informed the board that the Complete Streets Committee is actively working to see of the parking lot can be expanded. She said that Berta Geller has spoken with the Selectmen and will meet with them again this week. They are not sure at this point if an expansion will provide for enough vehicles. They also discussed the possibility of providing a shuttle for beach-goers.

**Henry Geller:**

Henry said he had two questions for the board, He asked if the time he spends at board meetings is adequate and the board agreed it was. He then asked if the time spent was enough to run for a planning board member position. The board agreed that it was. They discussed attending some meetings remotely. Jane said she would discuss this with the Town Clerk.

**MINUTES:**

*Bea moved and Leah seconded the motion to approve the August 13, 2018 minutes. The vote was unanimous*

Meeting Adjourned at 6:35pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Rossi, Administrator **Unanimously approved on 9/10/18**