

Shaftsbury Development Review Board
Shaftsbury Town Hall, 61 Buck Hill Road

January 16, 2013 at 6:00pm

Minutes

DRB members attending: Megan Donckers, Chair; Chris Ponessi, Vice Chair, David Mance;
Tom Huncharek; Jennifer Viereck, Alternate

DRB members absent: Jennifer Viereck, Alternate

Others Attending: Mitchell Race, Joanne Race, Mike Foley, Jay Palmer, Kathy Geneslaw,
Robert Geneslaw

Called to Order - The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm, acknowledged that a quorum was present, and led the Pledge of Allegiance. It was noted that the DRB recording Secretary was not present. The meeting was also being recorded digitally by Megan Donckers, Chair.

Conflict of Interest – Megan discussed the potential conflict of interest with Mike Foley's interview. The Board felt there was no conflict.

Interviews for open Board seats:

Jay Palmer:

- Has experience with the process.
- Has the time available
- 28 years Military Service
- Volunteers
- Requested an alternate position
- Has read the by-laws and proposed Rules of Procedures
- Has no internet access

Kathy Geneslaw:

- Knowledge of bylaws, Town Plan, State Statute
- Management experience
- Knowledge of maps
- Masters in Administration
- Six Sigma Green Belt
- Objective review is essential
- Questioned about the Town Plan and a potential for development in the Historic District
- Comfortable with becoming a full member and will consider becoming the Chair or Vice Chair
- Meeting ground rules should be established
- Not affiliated with any other community boards except the Garden Club.

Mike Foley

Attended numerous meetings

Asset – Attention to detail, team player

Tom asked about full member vs. alternate – interested in both

Asked about becoming a chair or vice chair – would do it if he was asked.

No personal experience with DRB process

Wants his children to stay in the community

Feels he can contribute

Questioned about Shaftsbury environmental group – no longer exists

There was a discussion about roles of the DRB and public comment.

Chair asked for motion into executive session. Tom questioned whether or not executive session needed to be on the agenda. Also asked about the Select Board's plans for interviewing applicants.

Adjourn

David Mance made a motion to adjourn and hold executive session, seconded by Chris Ponessi.