

PUTNAM PLANNING BOARD

NOVEMBER 8, 2023

The Putnam Planning Board met on November 8th at the Putnam Town Hall. The following board members were present: Jim Hock, Galen Seerup, Mark Karlson, and Art Sheeley. Bill Brown, Wayne Busby & Richard Malaney were all absent. Chris Navitsky, May Drinkwine Shiell, Tim Condit, Bill Mossey, Stephanie Wagner and Carl Ohly were also present as guests.

Resolution #78– A motion was made by Galen Seerup to approve October’s minutes. Seconded by Mark Karlson and passed unanimously.

Christine Pichler – Christine owns 2 lots on 4042 Beach Lane. It was brought to the PB attention that she has a new building on 1 of her lots that is over the threshold and may need a site plan permit. The building is 10’ x 14’ with a deck 20’ x 15’. She claims it is a garden shed. The LGPC and the APA has determined the project non-jurisdictional. There is a small shed approx. 6’ x 10’ on the other lot. There is electricity to the small shed but not the larger one at this time. There is no plumbing to either shed. There is an old septic tank on the property that is non-usable. There is no well. Her long term goals are to build a house on these lots. She is working with engineer Rich Trudeau on a plan. The board recommended that she merge the lots so she has more room for setback limits. She has agreed that merging the lots will be the best way to start. The board asked her if she could do this within 3 months and she thought she could. All neighbors notified. Bill Mossey the neighbor next to her was present and he does have an issue with the size of the shed. His view has been blocked. Christine is going to work on combining the lots and then work with Rich Trudeau to come up with a plan for the whole goal. She will return for a pre-conference meeting with her entire plan for the property.

Adirondack Camp – Tim Condit was present. He had proposed upgrading a cabin but let us know he is pulling that proposal. The APA won’t approve the roof line as submitted on the structure. They would require a variance/waiver and the camp does not want to go that route.

Robert Agree – No one came to the meeting as requested. Robert had asked the clerk for all the permit forms needed. She emailed him everything but we never got a response back. Joe Thouin of the LGPC has stated that stormwater remediation is needed for the parking area. The APA sent a letter. The letter is in the file. The APA is looking for prior to replacement setbacks and measurements. They also want the new setbacks and measurements of all structures, retaining walls, stairwell, deck, dock etc. Stephanie Wagner the neighbor was present. She stated there are 50+ lights in the parking area that she is concerned about. She said the lights are within 30’ of her bedroom. The APA also asked for all lighting details on the property. Stephanie questioned the setbacks from the property line. Is there a 5’ setback from the property line? She asked us what is enforceable? The board explained we can send letters but other than that at this time there is no enforcement. We are working with the Town Board to rectify this issue. Trees have been cut on the property. Many pictures have been taken and shared. The APA will be looking at what was previously approved in 2000 compared to what is there now. Stephanie also mentioned the APA letter does not have the correct mailing address for Robert Agree. She is going to let the APA know this. The clerk will email Mr. Agree a copy of the letter to make sure he has it.

Resolution #79– A motion was made by Galen Seerup that all signed LRCC1’s and LRCC2’s that have been signed by the chairman be entered into the minutes monthly. Seconded by Art Sheeley and passed unanimously.

Resolution #80 A motion was made by Mark Karlson to adjourn the regular meeting of the Putnam Planning Board. Seconded by Art Sheeley and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paula Wilson
Planning Board Clerk

Next Planning Board meeting is December 13, 2023 at the Putnam Town Hall – Minutes subject to approval