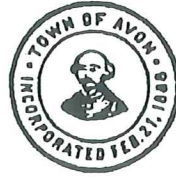


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BOARD OF SELECTMEN WORKSHOP MEETING AUGUST 11, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

Members present: Steven P. Rose, Chairman (via teleconference)
Eric S. Beckerman, Clerk (via teleconference)
Jason L. Suzor, Associate (via teleconference)

Others present: Gregory S. Enos, Town Administrator
Shanna M. Faro, Executive Assistant
William Fitzgerald, DPW Director
Brian Giovanoni, P.E., Gio Group (via teleconference)
Brian Dunn, MBL Land Development & Permitting Corp. (via teleconference)

Chairman Rose announced that pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Board of Selectmen is being conducted via remote participation. No in-person attendance of members of the public was permitted, but every effort was made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings as provided for in the Order. Chairman Rose reminded the viewing audience that persons who would like to view this meeting while in progress may do so by joining the Zoom link for the videoconference in session.

Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. with all members present. Each Board member acknowledged their presence at the meeting by responding in the affirmative during the roll call. In addition, all anticipated speakers acknowledge their presence by responding in the affirmative when Chairman Rose called their names.

Joanna Estates – Request for Waiver of Water Fees

Chairman Rose stated that the Board of Selectmen were acting in their capacity as Water Commissioners for the purposes of this Workshop Meeting. Mr. Fitzgerald informed the Board that at the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting of August 5, 2020, the developers raised a request for a waiver of certain water fees regarding the Joanna Estates project. Chairman Rose asked if the request for water fee waivers was presented in writing to which Mr. Fitzgerald stated that he has not received a formal written request yet. Mr. Fitzgerald provided all meeting participants with a Water Fees Calculation Spreadsheet for the Joanna Estates Project which he had updated earlier in the day. Mr. Fitzgerald listed the fees for all services including service connection fees, system development fees, inspection services fees, meter fees and hydrant fees. Mr. Fitzgerald informed the Board that the fees in the spreadsheet reflect the same water fees which have been charged to the last two developers on housing construction projects in the town.

Mr. Dunn and Mr. Giovanoni introduced themselves to the Board as the developers for the Joanna Estates project. Mr. Dunn informed the Board that as this project is classified as a 40B project, they are allowed by the state to request for waivers. Mr. Dunn stated that as a developer on a 40B project, they can only have a net profit of 20%. Mr. Dunn stated that the waiver request was a part of the application and has been in consideration for months. Chairman Rose reminded Mr. Dunn that all request for fee waivers should be presented to the Board of Selectmen for their consideration. Chairman Rose asked the developers if they had any specific waivers to discuss at today's Workshop Session. Mr. Giovanoni stated that he has not had a chance to review Mr. Fitzgerald's fee spreadsheet in detail and requested that the document be e-mailed to him for further review before making a formal written waiver request. Mr. Enos informed Mr. Giovanoni and Mr. Dunn that he will forward the spreadsheet to them for review. Chairman Rose requested that Mr. Giovanoni and Mr. Dunn present a formal waiver request to the Board of Selectmen to review at their meeting of August 13, 2020 to which they agreed.

Adjournment

At 1:50 p.m., Mr. Beckerman made a motion to adjourn the Workshop Session. Mr. Suzor seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Suzor voted aye. Mr. Beckerman voted aye. Chairman Rose voted aye. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Shanna M. Faro

Executive Assistant to the Town Administrator

List of Documents

1. Joanna Estates Water Fees Calculation Spreadsheet dated August 11, 2020