1 2 3 OLD ORCHARD BEACH PLANNING BOARD 4 **Public Hearing and Regular Meeting** 5 May 10, 2018 7:00 PM 6 **Town Council Chambers** 7 8 **CALL MEETING TO ORDER 7:00 PM** 9 10 PLEDGE TO THE FLAG 11 12 **ROLL CALL:** 13 Present: Chair Linda Mailhot, Vice Chair Win Winch, Gary Gannon, Robin Dube, Marc Guimont, David 14 Walker. **Absent:** Mark Koenigs. 15 Staff Present: Planner Jeffrey Hinderliter, Associate Planner Megan McLaughlin 16 17 **Public Hearings** 18 ITEM 1 19 **Proposal:** Ordinance Amendments (Contractor Storage Yard 1): Amendment to Chapter 78 -20 Zoning, Article VI - Districts, Division 12 – Rural District, Section 78-963 – 21 Conditional Uses; Amendment to Chapter 78, Article VII – Conditional Uses, 22 Division 2 - Conditions, Section 18-1278 - Contractor Storage Yard 1. 23 Portion of Rural District: Parcels of land with road frontage along Portland Ave Location: 24 between the Ross Rd/Portland Ave Intersection and the Old Orchard 25 Beach/Scarborough Town Boundary. 26 27 The Public Hearing opened at 7:01 PM 28 29 Attorney Keith Richard representing Walter Murphy of 184 Portland Avenue introduced himself. 30 Attorney Richard stated that Portland Ave is part of the Rural District according to the Zoning Ordinance 31 and is a district intended to preserve open space, rural aesthetics and allows for only low intensity uses. 32 The MacDonald Excavation business brought trucks, equipment, noise, dirt, traffic and abruptly changed 33 the peaceful character of the neighborhood. Later came the Frack Tank full of septic waste. 34 Walter Murphy went to the town a few times asking if these businesses and uses were allowed in the 35 Rural District and whether they had proper licensing. The answer from the town for both answers were 36 no, and no one did anything about it. 37 The MacDonald's business is operating with no license, no permit and no approval. 38 The business is illegal and doesn't belong in the Rural District. 39 Attorney Richard stated that they are asking to enforce the ordinances that the town has and apply them 40 equally to everyone. 41 Spot zoning is illegal when it only benefits a single property owner or one particular area and it is 42 inconsistent with the Towns Comprehensive Plan. 43 The Amendment is clearly meant for a single property owner. 44 The Comprehensive Plan states that the Town should severely restrict development in Rural areas and 45 should preserve the open Rural character of Old Orchard Beach by encouraging agricultural and forestry 46 uses in this area. Land uses should be limited to agriculture and forestry uses, low intensity recreational 47 uses and scattered or clustered residential uses that are compatible with the agriculture and resource 48 values of the area. 49 Attorney Richard also noted that Planner Jeffrey Hinderliter noted in the February Planning Board

meeting that creating a light industry overlay over this area would violate the Comprehensive Plan.

- 1 These amendments are the exact same proposal under a different name.
- 2 Changing Contractor Storage Yard 2 to Yard 1 would be an easy fix because Storage Yard 2 would work.
- He also stated that he doesn't feel that MacDonald's Excavation business that is currently operating could even meet these proposed amendment standards.

- 6 Attorney Harry Center, representing Debbie MacDonald introduced himself.
- 7 The Planning Board is here to make a recommendation to the Town Council to whether they should adopt an amendment to the Town Ordinance.
- 9 We don't believe that there is illegal spot zoning.
- 10 Permitted uses in the existing ordinance in the Rural Zone allow for automobile repairs, veterinary
- hospitals, and limited motor freight businesses as a Conditional Use.
- 12 This amendment would give an additional tool to consider a Contractor Storage Yard 1 as another
- 13 Conditional Use.

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- Mark Lindquist from 8 Eden Lane introduced himself. Mr. Lindquist is a resident of Old Orchard Beach and serves on both the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Design Review Committee.
- Mr. Lindquist stated that in the future the town will be asked to examine property use and render a
- decision which will impact the lives and livelihood of residences.
- 19 These decisions must be the result of careful thought as each decision will be setting a precedent.
- We all want a community that embraces growth and is treated equally and fairly.

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- John Campbell from 182 Portland Avenue introduced himself.
  - He lives directly across from MacDonald's and he stated that he is not bothered by the noise or dust from the business.

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Connie Lines from 7 Murphy Avenue introduced herself and she has lived in Old Orchard Beach since 1969. She is here to support Debbie MacDonald whom she says is a wonderful person and has a reputable business.

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- 30 Attorney Gene Libby representing Walter Murphy introduced himself.
- 31 He commented that there has been changing enforcement in the town because of changes in the Code
- Enforcement Office. The reason Walter Murphy is here tonight is because the Town ignored his request
- 33 to enforce its ordinance.
- 34 The problem is that a Commercial business activity grew unregulated by the town in the Rural District
- across from Mr. Murphy's home. No one is questioning that the MacDonald's are a well-known
- 36 politically connected family.
- We are questioning on behalf of Mr. Murphy and that he lives in a zone where he has an expectation that
- 38 the quiet and solitude that he has enjoyed on his property should not be invaded because the person who
- 39 lives across the street happens to be the MacDonald's.

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The Town Manager wrote Mr. Murphy a letter that the CEO had not been able to make a determination of whether or not the operations of 17 pieces of equipment in a zone that allows 2 was in violation of the ordinance.

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- Ray Briere from 46 Ross Road introduced himself.
- 46 Mr. Briere sees a lot of Residential growth developing and his concern is the traffic and a safe 47 neighborhood.

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- 1 Jerome Begert from 4 Gables Way introduced himself.
- 2 Mr. Begert stated that he knows that the Planning Board will make a well informed decision. He stated
- 3 that the MacDonald's have been referred to as being "very connected" and he believes that is such an 4 extreme exaggeration.

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- Robin Dayton from 59 Fern Avenue introduced herself.
- Ms. Dayton received information from the Planner in regards to how many lots, total acres and sq. miles the area includes:
  - Total of 380.15 acres
  - Total of 29 lots
  - Total of sq. miles .59 sq. miles.

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- 2 of the lots are Public Property.
  - One lot is slated for a public park.
  - One lot is a dog kennel for the police station.

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- Ms. Dayton is concerned that pubic land is being included and she believes that this is unethical unless the public land can be removed.
- She doesn't think changes should be made at all until the public updates go through the Comprehensive process which is over 20 years old.

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Karen Lapierre from 180 Portland Avenue sees both sides of this proposal. This is about the land and trying to change the Zoning Ordinance. She would hate to see a new business area developed as a result of this change. She doesn't want change.

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- 26 John Payne from 169 Portland Avenue introduced himself.
  - Mr. Payne is not in favor of commercialization. He is concerned with the noise, traffic and repairing the roads.

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- 30 Brian Murphy from 165 Portland Avenue introduced himself.
  - Mr. Murphy has an auto repair and stone business. He tries to keep his business quiet and peaceful and he has received no complaints about his business.

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- 34 Lori Cole who lives at the Crosswinds Motel introduced herself.
- 35 She stated that she has worked for Debbie MacDonald for 2 years. Ms. Cole believes that Walter Murphy 36 has a personal vendetta with Debbie MacDonald.

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- Debbie MacDonald from 169 Portland Avenue introduced herself.
- She has lived at this location her entire life and she tries to be a good neighbor. She explained that 6 years 40 ago she had a dispute with Mr. Murphy and she has been bullied by Walter Murphy ever since.
- 41 There has been a lot of development on Portland Avenue and not all of the problem is only her business.

- 43 Walter Murphy from 184 Portland Avenue introduced himself.
- 44 He stated that Debbie MacDonald has no license to operate her business. She does however have a license 45 for her flower shop.
- 46 He states that he is bothered by the noise from her businesses trucks, chainsaws, wood splitters running,
- 47 pumping of tanks, damage to the roads, hauling in building materials, logging trucks, odors, waste truck,
- 48 grit truck and her tenants are loud. Mr. Murphy explains that he has lost 2 rents because of this.
- 49 He states that Town Officials won't do anything about it and he believes a shutdown of MacDonald's
- 50 business would be appropriate.

George Kostick from 185 Portland Avenue introduced himself.

Mr. Kostick is not in favor of the changes.

## The Public Hearing closed at 8:02 PM.

# ITEM 2

**Proposal:** 9

Ordinance Amendments (Medical Marijuana Storefronts): Amendment to Chapter 18 - Businesses, Article XI - Medical Marijuana Registered Dispensary or Medical Marijuana Production Facility Amendments, title; Amendment to Chapter 18 - Businesses, Article XI - Medical Marijuana Registered Dispensary or Medical Marijuana Production Facility, Division 1 - Generally, Section 18-601 – Definitions; Amendment to Chapter 18 - Businesses, Article XI - Medical Marijuana Registered Dispensary or Medical Marijuana Production Facility, Division 1 - Generally, Section 18-604 – Prohibition on Medical Marijuana Storefronts; Amendment to Chapter 78 - Zoning, Article I – In General, Section 78-1 – Definitions; Amendment to Chapter 78 - Zoning, Article VII – Conditional Uses, Division 2 - Conditions, Section 78-1277 – Medical Marijuana.

**Location:** 

**Town Wide** 

#### The Public Hearing opened at 8:03 PM

Patricia Griffin from 6 Seabreeze Avenue introduced herself.

Ms. Griffin read some statistics showing an increase in crime and traffic accidents due to cannabis. She would like to know if the Planning Board thought about an increase in police presence and who is going to pay for it if needed. She asked if this will be increased through taxes. Ms. Griffin wants to make sure that we are prepared as a community.

Tom Mourmouras from 30 Saco Avenue introduced himself.

Mr. Mourmouras read an excerpt from the Maine Municipal Associations Manual for Local Planning Boards.

Tom Mourmouras and his father Peter Mourmouras submitted Ordinance Amendments to the Planning

Board in October 2017. The application was pushed back by the town numerous times until an emergency moratorium was placed on Medical Marijuana Storefronts to regulate the use in town.

He was unaware of the fact that you could put an emergency moratorium on something that was already defined and allowed in the municipality.

By the towns definition, Registered Dispensaries are entities registered pursuant to State Law that are allowed to dispense, sell or supply medical marijuana to its registered patients out of a commercial building. This land use is allowed in Zones GB-1 and GB-2. In 6 meetings on this issue he has yet to hear

Two key questions need to be answered before a decision can be made by this board:

this board use the words Land Use and Zoning while discussing the issue.

• The difference between medical marijuana registered dispensary land use and medical marijuana store front land use and how would you allow one of these uses and not the other.

 • Why are GB-1 and GB-2 more appropriate for these zones than DD-2? DD-2 already has a business that dispenses medical prescriptions and qualifying patients while GB-1 and GB-2 traverse through the school zones.

Tom Mourmouras asked the Planning Board to look at this issue as if it was any other land use.

- 1 Peter Mourmouras who owns a business on 30 Saco Avenue introduced himself.
- 2 Mr. Mourmouras would like the Planning Board to act on land uses. He would also like for Chair Linda
- 3 Mailhot to recuse herself from future discussion on this proposal and vote that she is incapable of making
- 4 an impartial decision on this issue and has a clear bias on any marijuana use coming to Old Orchard
- 5 Beach.
- 6 He read a part of the excerpt from Ms. Mailhot's public testimony at the Town Council meeting on the
- 7 Prohibition of Retail Marijuana on December 19, 2017.
- 8 "I feel that it would not be in the best interest of the Town Of Old Orchard Beach to allow Marijuana
- 9 Establishments for several reasons" "It would bring a bad element to town."
- 10 Mr. Mourmouras stated that she clearly cannot separate between adult use marijuana and medical
- 11 marijuana as seen with her initial recommendation to include medical marijuana storefronts in the
- 12 prohibition.

- 14 Kelly Mourmouras introduced herself to the Board Members.
- Her and her husband live at 57 Hills Beach Road and also own the property at 30 Saco Avenue in Old Orchard Beach.
- 17 She has been a licensed physical therapist for over 30 years. Many of her patients have benefitted from
- medical marijuana for various illnesses. This is for Medical Marijuana not Retail Adult use.
- 19 The University of New England is beginning to do research on the positive effects and many benefits
- from Medical Marijuana Dispensaries in the State. Due to the limited amount of dispensaries, the State
- and the Department of Health and Human Services have allowed certification of licensed caregivers.
- Because there is not a spot for a medical caregiver's storefront or office, they are forced to meet in
- parking lots or residences which is not a safe and secure place. The Department of Health and Human
- 24 Services have rules and specific regulations on what Medical Marijuana Dispensaries and Caregivers
- must abide by or they lose their license. The Town of Old Orchard Beach has already approved a location
- for the Medical Marijuana Dispensary. She is asking the Planning Board to use their resources to make
- an informed decision.

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- Robin Dayton from 59 Fern Avenue introduced herself.
- A lot has changed in the past 20 years. The Mourmouras's are basically asking for the change in land use for a Medical Dispensary to be about 100' away from where it already is allowed. It is her understanding
- for a Medical Dispensary to be about 100' away from where it already is allowed. It is her understanding that the location on the application it is about 100' from where GB-2 already allows it. Right across the
- 33 street is Rite Aid and that it a dispensary. She questioned why the town would agree to have a Medical
- 34 Dispensary right in front of the school, which is a possibility.

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Planner Hinderliter stated that the GB-1 District is the only district that allows a dispensary, not the GB-2 District.

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Closed the Public Hearing at 8:20 PM.

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- 41 **ITEM 3**
- 42 Proposal: Subdivision/Site Plan Amendment: Amend Atlantic Park Condominium to allow
- 43 construction of 21 new units, sidewalks, parking, access ways, landscaping, and
- 44 other misc. improvements.
- 45 Location: 11 Smithwheel Rd., MBL: 210-1-7

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Opened the Public Hearing at 8:21 PM.

- Bob Skalski from 11 Smithwheel Road Unit #47 and President of the Atlantic Park Condo Association
- introduced himself.

1 In general he is in favor of this proposed development however from past experience, a lot of the 2 infrastructure is not up to code now or in the past. 3 His biggest concern is the additional parking. He would like to see a great deal of oversite on this project 4 to make sure things are done properly on this project. 5 6 Nichole Fleury from 11 Smithwheel Road Unit #46 and also the Treasurer on the Board of Atlantic Park 7 Condo Association. She sent Planning Staff a list of her concerns to ensure that things are brought up to 8 code. The turning radius of vehicles and parking concerns, pavement concerns and safety of the wet pond 9 irrigation. However her biggest concern is with the traffic this will create and the safety of everyone 10 around. 11 12 Closed the Public Hearing at 8:27 PM. 13 14 **Approval of Minutes:** 03/21/18; 04/05/18; 04/12/18 15 16 03/21/18 Minutes: 17 Page 4 Line 23. Add Conditional Approval. 18 Page 7 Line 43. Loophole spelling error. 19 Page 8 Line 8. Change Band to Ban. 20 Page 5 Line 39. Strike out "is". 21 22 04/05/18 Minutes: 23 Page 3 Line 46. Re-word sentence adding add a condition that addresses the existing 750' of roadway. 24 25 04/12/18 Minutes: 26 Page 7 Line 4. Change project to roadway. 27 28 29 Win Winch made a motion to approve all three sets of meeting minutes with corrections, seconded by 30 Robin Dube. 31 32 Planner Jeffrey Hinderliter called for the vote: 33 34 **VOTE:** 35 David Walker - Yes 36 Robin Dube – Yes 37 Vice Chair Win Winch - Yes 38 Marc Guimont - Yes 39 Gary Gannon – Yes 40 Chair Linda Mailhot - Yes 41 42 **CARRIES: (5-0)** 43 44 **Regular Business** 45 ITEM 4 46 **Proposal:** Ordinance Amendments (Contractor Storage Yard 1): Amendment to Chapter 78 -47 Zoning, Article VI - Districts, Division 12 - Rural District, Section 78-963 -48 Conditional Uses; Amendment to Chapter 78, Article VII – Conditional Uses, 49 Division 2 - Conditions, Section 18-1278 - Contractor Storage Yard 1. 50 **Discussion**; Vote on Recommendation **Action:** 

**Town of Old Orchard Beach** 

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**Applicant:** 

Planner Hinderliter stated that he has forwarded all public comments that he received to the Planning Board members for those who could not make it tonight.

- Planner Hinderliter mentioned that it is never easy to approach these issues and to try to find the common ground where everyone is 100% satisfied. These issues do not go away and more problems are created.
- 6 He explained that the Planning Board is responsible to hold a public hearing and to provide a
- 7 recommendation to Council, however they do not decide on the ordinance. We have a Comprehensive
- 8 Plan that was adopted by the townspeople and the document that was adopted says that certain
- 9 Commercial uses are allowed in the Rural District.
- 10 The two town owned properties could also be an exclusion, an exemption from this ordinance.

- What is important to understand is that the Comprehensive Plan allows certain Commercial activities in the Rural District as long as those Commercial activities are sensitive to the objectives of these areas. This is called "Good Neighbor Standards" which deal with noise, odors etc. and the proposed ordinance includes all of that language within the proposed ordinance.
- It could be argued that some of these uses could be more intense in a Commercial Storage Yard 1 and would not be as regulated as the Commercial Storage Yard 1 is as proposed.

Another issue that has come up about property values. Planner Hinderliter checked with the Assessing Office and the zoning change does not change the property values. What potentially cause the impact would be if a use was established next to these properties.

- Planner Hinderliter mentioned that the Planning Board has a few options:
  - 1. Vote on a recommendation with the language as it is currently proposed
  - 2. Vote on a recommendation that includes changes to the language. Note- changes may require another public hearing
  - 3. Postpone vote

Chair Linda Mailhot mentioned that she lives on the Ross Road and if this does go through she would be affected by this change as well. She wanted to make it clear that she is voting on this knowing she could be affected.

- Win Winch feels that if Code Enforcement had done its job this issue would not be before us. He also throws a lot of caution to the Comprehensive Plan issue.
- Win Winch stated that he cannot support this.

David Walker's concern is our ability to manage and control performance standards under any given conditional exception and most of all a conditional exception of a Storage Yard 1. One of the standards that he feels most appropriate is the one where it will not create a nuisance to neighboring properties because of noise, odors, fumes, glare, hours of operation, vibration, fire hazard or unreasonably restrict access of light. We have letters from neighbors expressing those sentiments.

- MOTION:
- Mark Guimont made a motion that a Contractor Storage Yard 1 not be allowed in the Rural District, seconded by Win Winch.

Planner Jeffrey Hinderliter called for the vote:

- **VOTE**:
- 50 David Walker Yes
- 51 Robin Dube No

Vice Chair Win Winch – Yes
 Marc Guimont – Yes
 Chair Linda Mailhot – No

**PASSES: (3-2)** 

# ITEM 5

Proposal: Ordinance Amendments (Medical Marijuana Storefronts): Amendment to Chapter

18 - Businesses, Article XI - Medical Marijuana Registered Dispensary or Medical Marijuana Production Facility Amendments, title; Amendment to Chapter 18 - Businesses, Article XI - Medical Marijuana Registered Dispensary or Medical Marijuana Production Facility, Division 1 - Generally, Section 18-601 – Definitions; Amendment to Chapter 18 - Businesses, Article XI - Medical Marijuana Registered Dispensary or Medical Marijuana Production Facility, Division 1 - Generally, Section 18-604 – Prohibition on Medical Marijuana Storefronts; Amendment to Chapter 78 - Zoning, Article I – In General, Section 78-1 – Definitions; Amendment to Chapter 78 - Zoning, Article VII – Conditional Uses, Division 2 - Conditions,

Section 78-1277 – Medical Marijuana.

Action: Discussion; Vote on Recommendation

**Applicant:** Town of Old Orchard Beach

Planner Hinderliter has worked with the Mourmouras' and have enjoyed their experience and knowledge.

They have been a help to him understanding about Medical Marijuana and Adult Use Retail Recreational

They have been a help to him understanding about Medical Marijuana and Adult Use Retail Recreational as well.

The Planning Board is responding to a Moratorium from the Town Council and the Council asks the Planning Board for an ordinance language. Planning Board only provides a recommendation to the Council because only the Council has jurisdiction.

The Planning Board has jurisdiction over ordinance amendment recommendations associated with Ch. 78, Zoning. The Planning Board does not have jurisdiction over amendments to Ch. 18, Businesses. Planning Board's consideration includes both Ch.78 and 18 so the Board is aware that both ordinances should be adopted together in order to ensure proper administration. Although, when voting on a recommendation it should be limited to the Ch. 78 amendments.

Planner Hinderliter mentioned that the Planning Board has a few options:

- 1. Approve the language as is
- 2. Deny the language as is
- 3. Approve the language with changes
- 4. Deny the language with changes
- 5. They can also deny the language that is proposed and ask the council if they can send it back to the Planning Board to be more inclusive with their recommendations to the council.
- 6. Can postpone the vote and continue to work on the language.

Planner Hinderliter read an article from the Town Attorney for Brunswick who is going through the same Medical Marijuana issues that we are facing.

Basically stating that there is currently a Medical Marijuana bill in limbo that would allow caregivers to have an unlimited number of patients instead of 5.

49 It seems like legislation is still working on Medical Marijuana Storefront language.

Chair Mailhot stated that she is in favor of putting forth the proposed language as a recommendation to

51 the Council.

1 Win Winch would like to table this item until we get further information and be a little better educated.

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Marc Guimont would like to see this go forward however he would like to see more guidance from the State.

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Chair Mailhot added that anything that the Planning Board does as a recommendation to the Council they can do with it what they want. It also doesn't mean that in the future it cannot be changed once the State comes out with a clear, articulate and functional way for communities to deal with this. This does not change people's access to Medical Marijuana within the Town of Old Orchard Beach.

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#### **MOTION:**

- 12 David Walker made motion to recommend to the Council to approve amendments to Chapter 78 Zoning,
- 13 Article I In General, Section 78-1 Definitions; Amendment to Chapter 78 Zoning, Article VII –
- 14 Conditional Uses, Division 2 Conditions, Section 78-1277 Medical Marijuana, seconded by Marc
- 15 Guimont.

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# Planner Jeffrey Hinderliter called for the vote:

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## **VOTE:**

- 20 David Walker Yes
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- 22 Vice Chair Win Winch Yes
- 23 Marc Guimont Yes
- 24 Chair Linda Mailhot Yes

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- ITEM 6
- 29 Proposal: Site Plan Review: Demo existing building and construct new 7,225 sq. ft. retail
- 30 building including associated parking, sidewalks and other site improvements
- 31 Action: Discussion; Reschedule Site Walk and Public Hearing
- 32 Applicant: Zaremba Group
- 33 Location: 19 Heath St., MBL: 309-9-33

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- 35 Megan McLaughlin gave a brief update on the project.
- Held a sitewalk and public hearing in April 2018 and received a request to table this proposal.
- 37 There were a few outstanding concerns at that meeting.
- Coordinating improvements to Heath Street, Saco Ave and Fort Hill intersection. Staff now has a plan for
- that intersection. The only item that they are waiting for is an updated performance worksheet for the
- 40 construction so that they can establish an escrow account.
- 41 Staff recommends 2 potential conditions to be added to the plan that they address cross walk locations
- 42 and coordinating with staff during construction. Staff is also waiting on a no action letter from the DEP
- 43 (also addresses the petroleum that was found on the site). Staff had talked about obtaining a Maintenance
- 44 Agreement or an easement from them for construction and maintenance purposes and for public access to
- 45 the sidewalk and we are still waiting for some thoughts on that. Staff received one comment from an
- 46 abutter whose concerns were about removing the chain link fence that is on the property.
- There is also a time line on the project so staff is recommending a motion to extend the decision.

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#### **MOTION:**

Win Winch made a motion to grant a 30 day extension for this proposal, seconded by Marc Guimont.

#### 1 Planner Jeffrey Hinderliter called for the vote: 2 3 VOTE: 4 David Walker - Yes 5 Robin Dube – Yes 6 Vice Chair Win Winch – Yes 7 Marc Guimont - Yes 8 Chair Linda Mailhot - Yes 9 Gary Gannon – Yes 10 11 **CARRIES: (5-0)** 12 13 A site walk was scheduled to be held on June 7, 2018 at 5:30 PM. 14 15 **MOTION:** 16 Win Winch made a motion to schedule a Public Hearing on June 14, 2018 at 7:00 PM. seconded by Marc 17 Guimont. 18 19 Planner Jeffrey Hinderliter called for the vote: 20 21 **VOTE:** 22 David Walker - Yes 23 Robin Dube – Yes 24 Vice Chair Win Winch – Yes 25 Marc Guimont - Yes 26 Chair Linda Mailhot – Yes 27 Gary Gannon - Yes 28 29 **CARRIES: (5-0)** 30 31 **ITEM 7** 32 Proposal: Major Subdivision: 10 lot residential subdivision (Red Oak Phase III) 33 **Action:** Determination of Completeness, Schedule Public Hearing, Schedule Final Plan 34 Review 35 Mark & Claire Bureau Owner: 36 **Location:** End of Red Oak Dr. 37 38 Megan McLaughlin stated that the Planning Board decided to hold off on determining the application 39 complete while they waited for information on a deed associated with lot 7. The Applicant submitted a 40 letter from an Attorney. 41 This situation seems similar to one that occurred with another project the Planning Board recently 42 approved. That situation was a little different because there was a dispute between two parties 43 over a deed. However, when we consulted our Town Attorney, his response was that an applicant 44 must have sufficient 'right, title or interest' on the property that will give the person a 'legally 45 cognizable expectation' of having the power to use the property in the ways that would be 46 authorized by any approval. The Planning Board has no authority, however, to resolve title 47 disputes or to interpret or enforce a private deed covenant as part of its decision on an 48 application." The Town Attorney recommended a condition be added to the plan and a part of 49 that condition stood out to Staff as one that could potentially apply to this situation as well: 50 "Should it be determined by a final, non-appealable court judgment that the applicant does not 51 have the legal right to use the land as proposed in the application, this approval shall no longer

1 have any force or effect." We could alter the language about a "final, non-appealable court 2 judgement." 3 4 Staff recommends that the Planning Board uses this meeting to discuss whether or not that letter from the 5 Attorney seems acceptable to show Right Title and Interest to develop the lot, if not there is a couple of 6 other options. 7 8 Jason Vafiadis from Atlantic Resource Consultants introduced himself. He would like to have a vote that 9 the application is complete. 10 He also mentioned that he has a contingency plan should the legal opinion of the Town Attorney comes 11 back negative. 12 13 **MOTION:** 14 Win Winch made a motion to determine the application complete, seconded by Robin Dube. 15 16 Planner Jeffrey Hinderliter called for the vote: 17 18 VOTE: 19 David Walker - Yes 20 Robin Dube – Yes 21 Vice Chair Win Winch – Yes 22 Marc Guimont - Yes 23 Chair Linda Mailhot - Abstain 24 25 **CARRIES: (4-0-1)** 26 27 **MOTION:** 28 Robin Dube made a motion to schedule a Public Hearing on June 14, 2018 at 7:00 PM. and schedule 29 Preliminary Plan vote for Red Oak, seconded by David Walker. 30 31 Planner Jeffrey Hinderliter called for the vote: 32 33 VOTE: 34 David Walker - Yes 35 Robin Dube – Yes 36 Vice Chair Win Winch – Yes 37 Marc Guimont - Yes 38 Chair Linda Mailhot - Abstain 39 40 **CARRIES: (4-0-1)** 41 42 ITEM 8 43 **Proposal:** Subdivision/Site Plan Amendment: Amend Atlantic Park Condominium to allow 44 construction of 21 new units, sidewalks, parking, access ways, landscaping, and 45 other misc. improvements. 46 **Action: Discussion**; Consideration of Public Comment 47 Owner: KAP Atlantic, LLC 48 11 Smithwheel Rd., MBL: 210-1-7 **Location:** 49 50 We have not received new material from the applicant so the Planning Boards actions should be limited to

holding the public hearing and requesting the applicant address abutter comments.

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There are a couple of things Planner Hinderliter talked about with this proposal.

This has been a little bit of a cluster over time and it is nice to see the applicants try to finish this.

To respect the people that live in this complex and what they are requesting.

If we can get these concerns addressed, this will be a positive move.

There is no formal decision tonight.

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Win Winch stated that presently there are 34 units occupied and wanted to know if the Condo Association is responsible for some of the repairs.

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A Condo Association member stated that last spring one of the storm drain was caving in and the Condo Association had to put out over \$1500.00 to fix it. Decks were never flashed properly.

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Atlantic Park will be one Association.

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16 Bill Thompson from BH2M introduced himself.

17 We are amending the original approval from 1989 which was 92 units. This build out would be 55 units.

18 There are a lot of utilities in place that are not used yet which will all be inspected and certified that they 19

are in working order. The utilities were approved in 1989 and there are 34 condos occupied.

20 Address the 2010 decision document and they did address it however it was never submitted because the 21 applicant stopped work. Mr. Thompson will be resubmitting that with a few changes.

22 They will incorporate a 4' chain link fence around the pond for safety.

23 The existing fence around the 21 units would behoove the applicant to make it look nice.

24 Has proposed 131 spaces (only need 110) and there is room for a couple more.

25 Following through with the design on Reserve Avenue with a paved connection.

26 Roads will be 24' wide. Will be looking at the interface between what is built and what is going to be

27 built as far as pavement.

28 Mr. Thompson stated that this will be using up all of the property and there will be nothing left to build 29

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Chair Mailhot would caution opening up Reserve Avenue to a right hand turn. She can invision people cutting through the subdivision to make a right hand turn off of Reserve Avenue and being a funnel off of Smithwheel Road. Marc Guimont agreed.

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**Other Business** 

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1. Findings of Fact Signatures: 8 Lot Subdivision Amendment (Dunegrass); Church Street Station Re-Approval, Church Street Station Subdivision Amendment

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# **Good and Welfare**

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#### ADJOURNMENT at 9:58 PM.

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I, Valdine Camire, Administrative Assistant to the Planning Board of the Town of Old Orchard Beach, do hereby certify that the foregoing document consisting of Twelve (12) is a true copy of the original minutes of the Planning Board Meeting of May 10, 2018.

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Valdine L. Heldrom