

## PLANNING BOARD

### MINUTES REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING Thursday, February 11, 2010

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Members present were: David Smith Sr., Tim Fulco, Margaret Martin, Peter Cherneff and Christopher Tomich. Sign-in sheet attached.

**David Brigham, Borestone LLC:** submitted a new application for a Special Permit, allowing him to open his woodworking shop in the Sheffield Business Park. The Board accepted the application and assigned it case number 21110.

**Lydon Special Permit Application:** Domenic Lydon has had his plans approved by the Conservation Commission. The Planning Board will resume the public hearing on February 25, 2010.

**Joint Board Meetings Proposed:** C. Tomich has suggested to the Town Manager, Joe Kellogg, that the Planning Board, the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Conservation Commission should meet together at least once a year so that the members can understand each other's concerns and current work.

**Report on Agriculture Commission Concerns:** David Smith Sr. reported that Towns can forego collecting excise taxes on animals and machinery. At a Statewide level, such taxes have been made optional for towns. Sheffield is choosing to continue the tax, 2/3 of which is currently being paid by 3 farmers in Sheffield.

**Proposed Revised Sign Bylaws:** A draft of these bylaws must be completed by March 12. The Planning Board must conduct at least one public hearing on the proposed bylaws. If the sign bylaw committee submits a draft to Town Manager Joe Kellogg by March 3 that will give him time to write the proposed bylaws in the correct format.

**Tim Fulco Away:** Tim will be away from March 10th-25th. Tony Gulotta may substitute for him.

**Wind Siting Bill:** A copy of the bill, recently passed by the MA State Legislature was distributed.

**Sheffield Zoning Map:** The Board discussed the effectiveness of the current Zoning map and requirements for each district. The Board agreed that some changes need to be made, but they will work on these changes for the December 2010 or May 2011 Town Meetings.

At 7:30 p.m., D. Smith Sr. made a motion, seconded and approved, to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Nadia Milleron,  
Secretary to the Planning Board