Town of Somerset Planning Board Meeting April 1, 2021

Present:

Norm Jansen, Chairman

Krista Atwater Charles Neal

David Haylett, Town Attorney

Absent:

Chris Czelusta

Attendance:

Jon Hotaling, Councilman

Chairman Jansen called the meeting to order at 7:30pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by K. Atwater, seconded by C. Neal, the following resolution was

ADOPTED

Ayes

3 Jansen, Atwater, Neal

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Resolved: The minutes of the March 4, 2021 meeting were accepted as submitted.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Re: Webinar 3/29/21: Renewable Energy Leasing on Agricultural Lands
An email from Robin Jansen was shared which stated that information from the webinar will be
forwarded to the board members when it becomes available; there were many links that she
thinks will be very useful.

Atty Haylett informed the board that he has been in communication with Ashlee Roher who is the Zoning and Permitting Manager from Horvath Communications, concerning the Lake Road Telecommunication Tower. Issues have arisen with Horvath Communications and Mayer Brothers concerning the placement of the tower; it may need to be shifted over about 100ft and the driveway access moved. Atty. Haylett informed the board that Horvath will have to submit an application for an amended Site Plan Review and the Planning Board will have to convene next month to vote on a new site plan approval.

N. Jansen announced that Planning Board Member Laura Bishop turned in her resignation letter due to unforeseen circumstances.

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OLD BUSINESS: There was no Old Business

NEW BUSINESS: Annual renewal of outstanding Special Use Permits from March 4, 2021 Second letters were sent to AT&T Mobility, Diane Barrett /Mary Harrigan, Crown Castle, Jody Grahn, and Anita Schmitt.

On March 9, 2021 an email was sent from Mary Harrigan to the Town of Somerset questioning if there is a long term special permit that could be filled out since her boarder is in the apartment permanently. An email response to her question explained that this is an annual renewal process for all Special Use Permit holders.

On a motion by C. Neal, seconded by K. Atwater, the following resolution was

ADOPTED

Ayes:

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Jansen, Atwater, Neal

Nayes:

Resolution: All outstanding Special Use Permit renewals that were signed and returned were approved with the exception of AT&T Mobility whose location has been closed due to the pandemic. Atty. Haylett advised that a certified Special Use Permit Renewal Letter be sent to the corporate office of AT&T Mobility. No extension of the Special Use Permit would be given at the present time. The Board would have to reconvene at a later time to approve AT&T Mobility's renewal after response has been received.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, C. Neal made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm, seconded by K. Atwater. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Lewis **Planning Board Secretary**