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Minutes
January 24, 2012

7:03 P.M.
Present: Christopher Neeven, Chair, Harold Mitchell, Vice Chair, Robert Jensen, Erik VanBuskirk, and James Killion
Paul D. Spiro, Inspector of Buildings
Absent: Fred Watt

7:03pm
Approval of Minutes
Mr. Jensen moved the Board approve the minutes of January 10, 2012 as written. Mr. Killion seconded. The vote was unanimous.

7:05pm
Special Permit #12-01
96 Route 6A
Dockmejian Realty Trust (Blake)
Mr. Neeven read the Public Hearing Notice into the record. He also read the following comment letters into the record:

- David Mason, RS. CCHO, Health Agent, Board of Health, letter dated January 6, 2012
- Jeff Rose, Asst. Superintendent, Sandwich Water District, letter dated January 12, 2012
- Sarah Regan, Chair, Sandwich Planning Board, letter dated January 19, 2012
- David DeConto, Natural Resources Officer, letter dated January 9, 2012
- J.J. Burke, Fire Inspector, Sandwich Fire Department, letter dated January 9, 2012

Attorney Kevin Kirrane addressed the Board and introduced Dr. Bake to the members. She proposes to open a veterinary clinic with dog grooming facilities and a small retail area in a 3100 sq. ft. space. The appointments would be scheduled with walk-ins being held to a minimum. She plans to household pets only with no outdoor activities except walking them as needed. The hours of operation will be 8am – 6pm with two hours for lunch. When asked about animals staying overnight, Dr. Blake said it would be unusual as pets requiring overnight stays are sent to veterinarians who have overnight staffing. The Board also determined that there is sufficient parking.

Mr. Neeven opened the meeting for public comment. Barbara Shaner, 91 Route 6A commented on the plans showing three dog runs and wondered if that meant only three dogs at a time; she also wondered about the cats. Dr. Blake said that there would only be three dogs at a time in the runs and that there were cages for the cats. Ms. Shaner expressed her concern regarding egress onto Route 6A because the visibility is poor heading east.

Mr. Jensen motioned for the Board to close the public hearing for a Special Permit #12-01, 96 Route 6A. Mr. Mitchell seconded. The vote was unanimous

7:23pm
Deliberation
The Board reviewed and discussed 96 Route 6A, Special Permit #12-01. The decision, findings, and conditions are on file in the Board of Appeals public records at the Planning and Development office.

The Board reviewed and discussed 368 Route 139, Special Permit # 11-15. The Board discussed their concern with the lack of adequate parking. It was decided to reopen the public hearing to specifically address parking concerns with the applicant and Attorney Kevin Kirrane. This will be on the agenda for the next meeting scheduled for February 14, 2012 at 7:15pm.

7:56pm
Discussion
Mr. Paul Spiro, Inspector of Buildings, wanted to make sure that the Board had received the memorandum to municipal clients regarding the need for a variance when altering or expanding Nonconforming Single and Two-family dwellings. He provided copies for each member.

Mr. Mitchell motioned to adjourn. Mr. Jensen seconded. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Marilyn K. Bassett