

**Cornwall Development Review Board (DRB)
MINUTES • April 3, 2019 • 7:00 pm
Cornwall Town Hall**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Barbara Greenwood, Joe Severy, Shari Johnson, Magna Dodge, David Anderson

ALTERNATES PRESENT: Cheryl Cesario

GUESTS: Elizabeth Napier

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:05 pm. Barbara opened the meeting.

2. QUORUM: Established. Barbara welcomed David as new Regular Member.

3. AGENDA: Magna MOVED/David SECONDED to approve the Agenda as presented.
Motion passed

4. MINUTES:

• **February 25, 2019**—Magna MOVED/Shari SECONDED to approve the February 25 Minutes. Motion passed

• **March 6, 2019**—Magna MOVED/Shari SECONDED to approve the March 6 Minutes.
Motion passed.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT—

• Elizabeth Napier had three questions for the Board:

1. What was the Board's rationale for setting up a Special Meeting rather than a continuation of the original hearing in order to discuss the Beaver Brook responses to the list of questions? And can we expect substantive information on the Beaver Brook application at meetings other than continuations of hearings? Barbara: The meeting was not set in order to go over Beaver Brook responses to questions, but was to clarify, per a request for same from Beaver Brook, the DRB's informational requests. This discussion was originally intended to be held at the February 6 regular meeting. However, that meeting was cancelled due to hazardous driving conditions. The Board then offered Beaver Brook a list of dates when DRB members and the Town Hall would be available. The Special Meeting was set for February 25 as that was the only date that worked for Beaver Brook. No evidence will be taken on the application currently before the Board except at a hearing.
2. Will the Board require a new Sketch Plan review? Barbara: We don't know. We will need to see what the applicant files.
3. When did Joan Donahue become counsel to Beaver Brook? She made a strong comment at the first hearing that Elizabeth felt to be inappropriate for someone counsel to Beaver Brook. Does she not have to identify as a legal representative of the applicant? Barbara: We do not know when Joan Donahue was retained and this is not a question we would ask. Applicants are entitled to be represented in matters before the DRB. And lawyers are entitled to express their views as private citizens at public hearings. DRB members: did not recall what Donahue said, although David noted that he did recall that she spoke.

6. UPCOMING MEETINGS

- *Wednesday, May 1*—Jason and Sarah Robart Hearing for Conditional Use (Event Venue). Shari and David to be the leads on this. All members expect to be available
- *Wednesday, June 3*—The June meeting was rescheduled to June 3 due to Board members being unavailable for June 5.

7. **DRB FORMS**—Discussion about the applications forms currently in use. It was decided not to make substantial changes as the forms will likely require such if/after the proposed *Unified Regulations* are adopted. Changes at this point will only be made to parts that are wrong or might cause significant user confusion. Magna and Cheryl are reviewing the subdivision application, and the application for all non-subdivision issues.

8. OFFICERS—

- Magna MOVED/Joe SECONDED to nominate Barbara as Chair. ***Motion passed.***
- Magna MOVED/Shari SECONDED to nominate Joe as Vice-Chair. ***Motion passed.***

9. OTHER BUSINESS—

- There was discussion about potential hydrogeologist experts.
- There will be a VLCT workshop on June 18 that may be of interest to DRB Members. Once Barbara receives program information, she will circulate it to the Board.
- The PC's proposed *Unified Regulations* have gone to the SB which is in its initial stages of review. Conor Stinson is the new PC Chair.

NEXT MEETING: May 1 at 7:00 pm, Town Hall

ADJOURNMENT—Meeting was adjourned at 7:55PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robin Conway, DRB Secretary