

Agenda Summary  
August 26, 2019

Agenda Item No 6-3  
Other Business – Manager’s Report

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Summary:

Barbara Allaire: A 90th birthday party will be held for Barbara Allaire from 11am to 1pm on 8/27/19 at the Akeley Building Memorial Room. The public is invited to attend.

Meeting Schedule: The Selectboard meetings in September will be held on the 16<sup>th</sup> and the 30<sup>th</sup>.

Stowe to Morrisville: The paving is scheduled for 2020.

West Hill / Rt. 100 Traffic Light: Implementation is schedule for the Fall/Summer of 2021.

Town Plan Impact:

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Recommendation: No action is necessary. This time is set aside to ask questions of a general nature and for the public to be heard on any issue not on the regular agenda that doesn’t require Selectboard action and is of a non-personnel nature.

**Enclosed for Your Information:**

Development Review Board Minutes 8/6/19

Conservation Commission Minutes 8/7/19

Cemetery Commission Minutes 8/13/19

Planning Commission Minutes 8/19/19

Historic Preservation Commission Minutes 8/21/19

Development Review Board Agenda 9/3/19

1 Development Review Board- Town of Stowe **DRAFT**  
2 Tuesday, August 6, 2019 Memorial Hall

3 The regular meeting of the Stowe Development Review Board was held Tuesday, August 6, 2019 with  
4 the following Board members present: Drew Clymer, Paco Aumand, Tyler Mumley, Michael Diender  
5 (alternate), Tom Hand and Andrew Volansky. Absent: Chris Walton. One vacancy. Also present: Sarah  
6 McShane, Zoning Director and Chris Austin, Grenier Engineering; Erika Dodge and Doug Moses, Bullrock  
7 Corp.

8 Tyler Mumley announced he was resigning from the Board. He was publically thanked for his 5 years of  
9 service.

10 **Election of Officers:** Drew nominated Paco as Chair. Paco said he would not accept the nomination and  
11 nominated Drew. Andrew seconded the motion for Drew as Chair with all in favor. Drew nominated  
12 Paco as Vice Chair, seconded by Tyler with all in favor.

13 **5:10 Project #: 6060**

14 **Owner: Mountain House Lodge, LLC**

15 **Tax Parcel #: 11-149.000**

16 **Location: 3314 Mountain Road**

17 **Project: Design Modifications to Previously Approved Architectural Drawings**

18 **Zones: UMR/RR2/MRC**

19 Present was Doug Moses who explained changes. Will now one over one windows; paint changed to  
20 reflect the trim; down spouts will be painted; eliminated the fireplace but will create a chimney;  
21 removed some timbers; front doors now half-light fiber glass; other minor changes. Some of these  
22 changes were recommendations of the Stowe Historic Preservation Commission. Tyler moved to instruct  
23 the Zoning Administrator to draft Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law with the attached **CONDITIONS**  
24 which go with the original approval.

25 **5:15**

26 **Project #: 6058**

27 **Owners: Heidelberger, Eirene & Brian**

28 **Tax Parcel #: 14-042.660**

29 **Location: 144 Thomas Pasture Ln (Lot 67)**

30 **Project: Construct a Single Family Dwelling and Related Improvements**

31 **Zones: RR 5/RHOD**

32 Present were Chris Austin, Grenier Engineering and Ericka Dodge, Architect. Mr. Austin explained  
33 that lot (67 in Robinson Springs) was previously approved with a defined building zone and pre-  
34 development tree clearing. Lot has now been cleared and there is still no impact on the view shed; curb  
35 cut and culvert remain the same; small area in the south corner to be cleared (only clearing change and  
36 also removing a cherry tree in this area). Ms. Dodge described the dwelling as being a two-story and 1 ½  
37 story; walkout basement; all exterior lighting under the overhang except a lamp on each side of door.

38 **RHOD REVIEW:** Drew went through the criteria in detail. All setbacks are met except a small area of the  
39 patio which is allowed; height 24' 9"; 25' setback from Class 3 lands on the property. Mr. Grenier stated

no stream was found on the property. Site under Act 250. Tom stated the building will be right up to the setback area and buffer zone and that needs to be protected. Grade of driveway up to 6%; 2 posts lamps and when asked Ms. Dodge stated the decorative glass being used is not reflective and cut sheets are on file. No change in the lot area. Stowe Electric letter on file for its requirements. Paco moved to instruct the Zoning Administrator to draft Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law with the attached **CONDITIONS:** All previous conditions which were read aloud. Michael seconded the motion with all in favor.

**6:00**

**Project #: 6057**

**Owner: Very Vermonty Corp**

**Tax Parcel #: 11-101.000**

**Location: 4492 Mountain Road**

**Project: Amend Project # 5132- Construct Dumpster; Reconfigure Parking; Screening Modification  
Zone: UMR**

Present were Brian Benoit on behalf of the property owner and ??? Mr. Benoit asked to place the dumpster back where it was originally said they are looking to modify the approved plans for the dumpster which will be placed in the northwestern portion of the parcel and enclosed; reconfigure the parking arrangement, additional screening for external mechanical equipment on the west elevation of the two- unit building, and landscaping modifications as needed to accommodate the changes. **tape 1 side 2** Dumpster being moved to where it was originally planned (corner by the garage on the south corner) and two parking spaces going in its place; discussion followed and Tom uncomfortable with the site plan not showing what was approved and what was being requested. Paco agreed that the Board should know the differences. Tyler said he was confused with what trees are there and what will be there. Drew said in the original drawings there was significant landscaping and the intent was to mitigate the cars being parked there. After much more discussion re: the site plan and landscaping, Tyler moved to **RECESS to AUGUST 20, 2019** at the applicant's request, seconded by Michael with all in favor.

**Minutes of July 16, 2019** Michael moved to accept with minor corrections, seconded by Paco with all in favor.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara S. Allaire

Stowe Conservation Commission  
Wednesday, August 7, 2019  
Akeley Memorial Building  
Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Andre Blais, Kevin Hudnell, Darsey Moon, Robert Moore, Christine Dorsey McGowan and Bob Johnson.

Town: Tom Jackman

Members Absent: Catherine Drake

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. after it was decided to postpone the planned Sunset Rock site visit because of impending thunderstorms and hold a regular meeting inside.

**FY 2020 Work Plan & Budget**

Mr. Jackman presented a partial draft work plan. The Commission discussed things that were accomplished in FY '19 and possible activities for this fiscal year, including:

**Sunset Rock**

- Hired Jed Lipsky to clear the view from the Upper Overlook
- Hired Little River Survey to blaze and paint the boundary.
- Made another attempt to place a tarp over the knotweed patch. Will need to decide how to address the knotweed expanding around the edge of the tarps.
- Added trail improvements and the installation of a trail counter to the work plan

**Moscow Recreation Field**

- Funded the sand for the construction of a second volleyball court
- Friends of the Winooski River planted 200 trees in the riparian area

**Mayo Farm**

- Added \$100 for beaver fencing
- The agricultural lease is up in 2020

**Sterling Forest**

- A new kiosk was installed on Maple Run and 3 permanent kiosk panels were fabricated and installed (counts towards FY'20 budget).
- May have to budget \$\$ for trail work
- Can expect a revised hut proposal from the VT Huts Association
- Do a site visit on September 4.

**Cady Hill Forest**

- Funded a crew from the Intervale Conservation Nursery to pull barberry
- SLT is funding one day of their time through a grant and the CC will fund another day
- Need to decide about blazing and painting any section of the boundary.

**Reservoir Lot**

- Monitor trail use

**Faunce Lot**

- Do a site visit

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM. **The next meeting will be held on August 21, 2019 and is planned to be a make-up of the postponed Sunset Rock site visit.**

Respectfully submitted by Tom Jackman.

1 Stowe Cemetery Meeting- Stowe Ice Arena DRAFT

2 Tuesday, August 13, 2019

3 The regular meeting of the Stowe Cemetery Commission was held Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at the  
4 Stowe Arena with the following members present: Nancy Lavanway, Skeeter Austin, Judy Smith, Donna  
5 Adams, Karin Gottlieb and Gerry Griffin. Others present: Bruce Godin, Superintendent and Mary Black.

6 **Minutes of July 9, 2019:** Skeeter moved to accept with several changes, seconded by Nancy with all in  
7 favor. Barbara does not vote.

8 **Treasurer's Report:** Skeeter reported the sale of lots has increased. She said she has had to change the  
9 format of her report and funds are not in categories like in the past. There is \$7,000 left in Grounds  
10 Maintenance which came out of the money market and will not be there next year. We can use it, and  
11 Bruce can suggest some possible uses. Karin moved to accept the report, seconded by Gerry with all in  
12 favor.

13 **Superintendent's Report:** Bruce said he will be losing 2 employees in the coming week. There are 3 sets  
14 of corner posts missing and Barbara will check to see if they have been delivered. The Poor foundation  
15 has been redone. Discussion about the Lamonda stone being moved and it was agreed Clegg needs to  
16 move it as soon as possible. Barbara will notify him of this. Nancy moved to approve the report,  
17 seconded by Gerry with all in favor.

18 **WORK ORDERS**

19 **Black, Charles & Hesterly Sec. 22C Lot 12 Riverbank.** Mary explained that she and John they would like  
20 to put son Jack's ashes in Lot 11. This was agreed by Hestlesly, the Mother of John. Vermont Granite  
21 Works seeking approval for a flush marker. Bruce will install the marker with the fee being waived as  
22 Mary was a long time employee of the town. Barbara moved to approve, seconded by Nancy with all in  
23 favor.

24 **Bromm, Walter; Sec. 20 Lot 20 Riverbank.** Donna said it appears the proposed memorial is 4" too large  
25 per our regulations. She had spoken to John Clegg, dealer, after being given the Work Order to sign so  
26 that the family could have the memorial in place prior to their service, that she did not feel comfortable  
27 signing the approval and that it needed to go to the Commission. After consulting with 3 other  
28 members, Donna agreed and told Clegg he could place it at the site on a temporary basis and it would  
29 be removed within a short period of time after the service. He was advised his work order would be  
30 taken up at our meeting on 8/13 meeting with all members present. After the Commission discussed the  
31 situation, Nancy moved to **deny the request**, stating it needs to comply. Barbara seconded the motion  
32 with all in favor.

33 **Beattie, Robert Jr. & Josephine M Sec. 22 Lots 37-38 Riverbank :** Foundation and memorial by Rock of  
34 Ages. To be centered on lots 37 & 38. Nancy moved to approve as presented, seconded by Judy with al  
35 in favor.

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**Crane, Valerie Lot 48 Cremation Garden.** Flush marker by Rock of Ages Memorial Studio. Nancy moved and Barbara seconded to allow the marker. All in favor.

**Hale, Barbara Sec. 2 Lot 41 Riverbank.** Cleaning to be done by Bruce Godin's private business. Judy moved to approve, seconded by Nancy with all in favor.

**Potter, Calvin & Nancy Sec. 21C Lots 27-30 Riverbank** -Inscriptions and cleaning. Clegg Memorials. Barbara moved to accept, seconded by Nancy with all in favor.

**Walker/Chamberlain Sec. 12 Lots ???? Riverbank** grass markers for Penny and John. Done by Vermont Monuments. **tape 1 side 2** Nancy moved to approve, seconded by Gerry with all in favor.

**Demeritt, Clair Sec 6 Lot 3 West Branch.** Applicant David Demeritt. Cleaning to be done by Bruce Godin. Barbara moved to accept as presented, seconded by Skeeter with all in favor.

**Correspondence** A letter was received 7/16/19 from Teresa Tedstone who resides in Hyde Park asking permission to be buried with her grandparents, Perley & Francis Adams or purchase a lot in the Memorial Garden where she could be buried close to her parents, Monte and Evelyn Monte. She is currently a member of the Stowe Community Church. On a motion by Barbara and seconded by Gerry it was agreed to allow one or the other of her requests based on the fact she has long standing ties with the town of Stowe and many family members here in Stowe. All in favor.

**Discussion:** Bruce flagged a few other stones in Riverbank for Scott to do at the same time he is working on others to fulfill his contract this fall. He was asked to give an estimate for an upright tablet and a flush marker. The tablet was \$1,045 with minor engraving and the flush marker was \$713 . Dick Marron suggested going to the UVM Alumni seeking donations. It was suggested we could use some of the \$7,000 . Steve Benoit, Rock of Ages, has not given an estimate at this time. The \$1700 remains for Scott to remove the existing memorial. Bruce will get an estimate from Walker Construction as to what the charge would be to take down and remove the stone. Because of the construction being done behind the Memorial Building and in the area of the Washburn memorial, there is no hurry to get this done. Gerry moved to get an estimate from Walker, seconded by Nancy with all in favor.

Bruce asked and we felt after discussion that Scott makes the decision as to what size a foundation should be poured. **CORNER POSTS:** We talked about who needs corner posts, particularly in the older sections if there are none. When purchasing a new lot, it is a requirement to purchase corner posts but nothing that says who needs them in the older lots that don't have them and this is difficult for the Town Clerk when scheduling an internment.

Charles Safford, Town Manager arrived and invited members to my 90<sup>th</sup> birthday open house at the Memorial Building from 11-1 on the 27<sup>th</sup>

Barbara felt we should not require corner posts be purchased for the older lots, some we know and some we don't know where they would go and she felt it not right by the people to require them years

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after they had purchased them. Bruce said when digging a grave he is hampered by not knowing the size of the lot. We agreed to remain with the current policy which is corner posts are required when purchasing a lot and ???.

Clegg will be asked to put the name of the owner on the boxes when delivering the corner posts. Bruce needs a copy of the Corner Post application Work Order stating that the posts have been ordered which Barbara will see that he gets. Barbara had prices from two other suppliers and we agreed to stay with Clegg to supply the corner posts for the present time providing they are done and delivered in a timely fashion with the name on the order box. Bruce was encouraged to have temporary posts in a lot if there are none prior to any foundation being poured.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Allaire

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**PLANNING COMMISSION  
TOWN OF STOWE  
Monday, August 19, 2019  
Minutes**

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The Stowe Planning Commission held a regular meeting at the Akeley Memorial Building on August 19, 2019 starting at 5:30 p.m.

**Members Present:**

Mila Lonetto, Chair  
Chuck Ebel  
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Bob Davison  
Brian Hamor, Vice Chair  
Arnold Ziegel  
Neil Percy

**Members Absent:**

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**Others present:** John Zicconi, Executive Secretary of the VT Transportation Board and Tom Jackman, Director of Planning.

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**Regulation of Aviation Facilities**

Mr. Zicconi gave an overview of how aviation facilities are regulated in Vermont with a particular emphasis on helicopter landing pads.

- The Transportation Board is tasked with the authority to approve them.
- The threshold for requiring approval is more than 10 trips per year.
- A heli-pad doesn't have to be a built facility. It can be a lawn.
- The T-Board only considers safety in their evaluation of an application, not land use. That is up to the local zoning. The federal government, which also has to approve them, only looks at the air space.

Mr. Zicconi expressed surprise that Stowe hasn't seen an application for a heli-pad. The T-Board has seen applications go from 1 every couple of years to 3 – 4 per year. He is encouraging communities to consider adopting zoning to address heli-pads so that they have the ability to have some control over them from a land use perspective.

The Commission discussed limiting them to certain zoning districts, requiring a large setback from property lines and having a minimum parcel size. Through conditional use review, the Town could also limit the hours of operation or the number of trips. The consensus was that the Town shouldn't outright prohibit them. Mr. Ziegel summed it up by saying the Town should be prepared and not be taken by surprise. Mr. Jackman will do some research to find out how other communities have addressed aviation facilities in their zoning.

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**Minutes**

The minutes of the June 17 meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Hamor, seconded by Mr. Ebel.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45. The next meeting will be on September 16.

Respectfully submitted, Tom Jackman, Director of Planning



**Stowe Historic Preservation Commission**

**Town of Stowe**

**August 21, 2019**

A meeting of the Stowe Historic Preservation Commission (SHPC) was held on Wednesday August 21, 2019 in the Memorial Room starting at approximately 5:15 pm.

**Members Present:** Sarah McLane, Cindy McKechnie (alternate), Barbara Baraw, George Bambara, Sam Scofield

**Members Absent:** Gordon Dixon, McKee MacDonald

**Staff Present:** Sarah McShane

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 PM.

Project #: 6080

Owner: TJVT LLC

Tax Parcel #: 07-107.000

Location: 504 Mountain Rd

Project: Construct Stairs on Front Deck

Zoning: HT

Property owner David Wolfgang was present to provide an overview of the request and review the proposal. Mr. Wolfgang reported that he is in attendance on behalf of his tenant, the owners of the Thai Restaurant. He explained that they are permitted for a 99-seat restaurant and they intend on opening the lower dining area for breakfast and reserving the upper area for dinner. In order to provide for two separate entrances, they propose to add front entrance steps off the lower open deck as depicted in the application materials. Mr. Scofield made a motion to approve the proposal as presented. Mr. Bambara seconded. The motion was approved 5-0. The application was approved as a minor.

**Other Business-**

No changes or edits were made to the meeting minutes.

Members recognized and thanked Chair McLane for her service. She reported that it was her last meeting on the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah McShane

**DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD  
TOWN OF STOWE AGENDA  
September 3, 2019**

All residents of the Town of Stowe are hereby notified of a meeting of the Stowe Development Review Board to be held in the Akeley Memorial Building (67 Main Street) starting at 5:00 p.m. [Note: The order of agenda items is subject to change.]

- 1. Call to Order by the Chair**
- 2. Approval of the Agenda**
- 3. Development Review Public Hearing(s)**

Owner: Andante LLC

Tax Parcel #: 06-074.000

Location: 1880 Mountain Rd

Project: Replace Existing and Add Additional Outdoor Parking Area Lighting; Modify Landscaping and Sidewalks

Zoning: MRV

- 4. Approval of Minutes**
- 5. Review of Upcoming Schedule**

DRB hearings are open to the public. Additional information may be obtained at the Stowe Town Office. Pursuant to 24 VSA §§4464(a)(1)(C) and 4471(a), participation in this local proceeding is a prerequisite to the right to take any subsequent appeal. If you cannot attend the hearing, comments may be made in writing prior to the meeting and mailed to: Zoning Director, PO Box 730, Stowe, VT 05672 or by email at [smcshane@stowevt.gov](mailto:smcshane@stowevt.gov). Pending DRB applications and related materials can be found at <http://townofstowevt.org/drb> For questions about accessibility or to request accommodations please call 253-6141.