

**MINUTES
HAMILTON PLANNING COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 2014**

The Hamilton Planning Commission Public Hearing convened at 7:00 PM with the following attendance:

PRESENT: Robert McCann, Chairman
Laura Hunt, Commissioner
Russ Beal, Commissioner
Greg Wilmoth, Commissioner – Late 7:02PM
Larissa Borst, Commissioner

ABSENT: Les Carlson, Vice-Chairman
Craig Green, Council member

STAFF: Daniel Galindo, Zoning Administrator
Jennifer Helbert, Recorder

CALL PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER:

Chairman McCann called the Hamilton Planning Commission Public Hearing to order at 7:00PM.

PUBLIC HEARING:

SUP-14-003 – Verizon Telecommunications Equipment on Publically Owned Property.

Mr. Galindo gave a brief staff report regarding the above item. He stated Verizon's application was submitted in February and this would be the third telecommunications company with equipment on the site. He stated that the plans have been reviewed by the Town's engineers and the drawings were dated September 3rd so that they would be ready for public hearing. However, since that time Verizon has proposed one change to the plans and the Town's Public Works Department has noted some other issues with the proposed layout. Mr. Galindo explained the changes that Verizon is recommending. He stated that he requested that Verizon submit two sets of drawings showing the change to be presented tonight. He stated that the only difference between the two sets of plans is whether or not you can see the equipment. Mr. Galindo stated that a larger issue is that after the applicant submitted the final set of plans for public hearing tonight, Public Works reviewed the plans and noted significant problems with the proposed equipment location. There is a waterline that parallels the southern boundary of the site where Verizon is proposing to locate the enclosing/canopy and landscaping. These issues will need to be resolved prior to a Town Council public hearing.

Mr. Galindo's recommendation to the Planning Commission, since there are two other telecommunications companies utilizing the water tower site for both antennas and associated ground equipment and because no one that has reviewed Verizon's application has an negative issue with the basic special use that is being proposed, is to recommend Town Council approval of SUP-14-003 with the condition that Verizon revise the equipment layout to the satisfaction of the Public Works Department. Public works must assure the safety and undisrupted operation of the Town's utility system by avoiding interference with the Town's existing utility lines.

Dwight Green owner of the Masonic Lodge at 43 South Rogers Street came forward to speak. He stated that the right-of-way goes down beside his property and he has several concerns. One is the construction entrance that is required according to the drawings and how it may impact his parking area. He stated that he is also concerned about the increased traffic and how that road will be maintained. He stated that with the new construction entrance he is concerned that the drainage will be forced into his parking area.

Angela Plowman representative for Verizon Wireless came forward to speak. Ms. Plowman stated that she would be happy to address any specific questions that the Planning Commission may have any questions.

There being no further comment the public hearing was closed.

CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairman McCann called the Hamilton Planning Commission regular meeting to order at 7:13PM with the following attendance:

PRESENT: Robert McCann, Chairman
Lauren Hunt, Commissioner
Russ Beal, Commissioner
Greg Wilmoth, Commissioner
Larissa Borst, Commissioner

ABSENT: Les Carlson, Vice-Chairman
Craig Green, Council member

STAFF: Daniel Galindo, Zoning Administrator
Jennifer Helbert, Recorder

OLD BUSINESS:

SUP-14-003 – Verizon Telecommunications Equipment on Publically Owned Property.

Commissioner Wilmoth stated that he would be happy to answer any questions that the Planning Commission may have.

Commissioner Beal made a motion that for the reasons stated in the staff report dated November 19, 2014, I move that the Planning Commission forward to Town Council, with a recommendation to approve, SUP-14-003 allowing Verizon Wireless to install telecommunications antennas and associated ground equipment at 41 South Rogers Street on parcels owned by the Town of Hamilton, subject to the following:

1. Prior to the Town Council's public hearing on the application, the currently proposed layout shown on the Revision G plans shall be revised to the satisfaction of the Public Works Department in order to ensure the safety and uninterrupted operation of the Town's utility system by avoiding interference with the Town's existing utility lines.

Motion: Commissioner Beal
Second: Commissioner Borst
Carried: 5-0-3 with Carlson and
Green absent

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Wilmoth made a motion to approve the minutes of September 17, 2014 as submitted.

Motion: Commissioner Wilmoth
Second: Commissioner Hunt
Carried: 5-0-3 with Carlson and
Green absent

Commissioner Wilmoth made a motion to approve the minutes of October 20, 2014 as submitted.

Motion: Commissioner Wilmoth
Second: Commissioner Borst
Carried: 5-0-3 with Carlson and
Green absent

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None Scheduled

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

None Scheduled

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None Scheduled

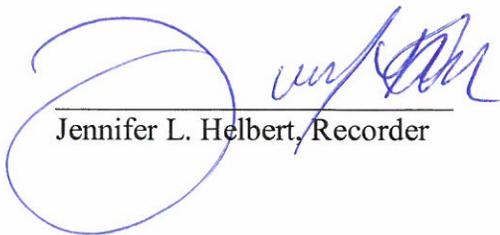
INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

None Scheduled

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM.


Robert McCann, Chairman


Jennifer L. Helbert, Recorder