## **Monkton Development Review Board**

Meeting Minutes October 25, 2011 Approved: 11/8/11

## **Attendance:**

<u>DRB Members Present</u>: Peter Close, Janet Dermody, Thea Gaudette, Phillip Russell, Curtis Layn, Chris Acker, John Winsor, Marsha Abramo

Others in attendance: Ken Wheeling, Donald Gould

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm.

#### **Administrative**

Chris Acker made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011 meeting as amended. Marsha Abramo seconded the motion and it was passed 5-0-2. John Winsor and Thea Gaudette abstained from the vote.

#### **Clerk Compensation**

Marsha Abramo shared with the other board members the results of the Select Board's discussion on the clerk compensation. This was discussed among those present. Marsha Abramo noted that it would be beneficial to better understand the way the boards work together. Peter Close made a motion to accept the Select Board's recommendation for the DRB clerk compensation at \$16.50 per hour starting October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011. Janet Dermody seconded the motion and it passed 5-0-2. Marsha Abramo and Thea Gaudette abstained.

### **DRB Alternate**

The board members discussed the use of the DRB alternate. Ken Wheeling noted that the use of an alternate gives the applicant the chance to have the greatest number of members possible to vote. Philip Russell made a motion to make any regular member take precedent over the alternate as long as they are able to have a waiver completed by the applicant. Chris Acker seconded the motion and it passed 5-0-2. Janet Dermody and Thea Gaudette abstained. Curtis Layn noted that the alternate can also be used if a member has a conflict of interest.

#### **Donald and Julie Gould**

The board received an appeal from Mr. and Mrs. Gould. Marsha Abramo presented each board member with a copy of the letter of appeal as well as Ken Wheeling's letter of denial. It was noted that the board should have time to review all the information. Janet Dermody made a motion to set the appeal for a hearing on November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011. Chris Acker seconded the motion and it passed 7-0-1. Thea Gaudette abstained. The appeal will be heard on November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 at 8:35pm. Ken Wheeling reported that the board must hear the appeal within 60 days of when the appeal was filed. The board must have a decision within 15 days of the hearing. Marsha Abramo made a motion to rescind the first motion. Janet Dermody seconded the motion and it passed 7-0. Thea Gaudette did not vote. Janet Dermody made a motion to set the hearing for December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Chris Acker seconded the motion and it was passed 7-0. Thea Gaudette did not vote. The appeal will be heard on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 8:00pm.

<u>Huizenga 2011-09-Min and 2011-08-Maj:</u> The Huizengas have submitted their application fees for both subdivisions.

# **Adjournment**

Philip Russell made a motion to adjourn, Janet Dermody seconded the motion and it passed 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Bailee Layn-Gordon