

**CORNISH PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES
JUNE 6, 2019**

The Cornish Planning Board met on Thursday, June 6, 2019, at 7pm in the Cornish Town Offices. Members present were Bill Lipfert, Chair, and Mary Mancuso; Lyle Parry, Selectman for Scott Baker; and Heidi Jaarsma, Secretary.

George Chianis of Viridi Wireless, LLC, and Heidi Trimarco of Downs Rachlin Martin, PLLC, attended the meeting. Barbara Stepaneak also attended.

Bill Lipfert called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Spelling of Chianis and various other typos were corrected. Heidi Jaarsma noted that the statement on page seven about the requirement of Site Plan Review for collocations on the 2006 tower was not applicable due to recent state statute. Municipal zoning approval is limited to a building permit for collocations pursuant to RSA 12-K:10. Mary Mancuso made a motion to accept the 5/16/2019 minutes as amended. Lyle Parry seconded the motion. The Board will add a footnote to the minutes re: collocations and RSA 12-K:10. The vote of the Board was in the affirmative.

Viridi Wireless – Request for Continuance of Public Hearing re: Site Plan Review of Proposed Wireless Communication Facility, Burr Road

voting: Bill Lipfert, Chair, Heidi Jaarsma, Mary Mancuso, Gail McKenzie (absent), and Lyle Parry.

Heidi Trimarco asked the Board for an extension of time to work on the elements that came out of the Completeness Hearing. She presented a proposed tolling agreement between the applicant and the Board. The agreement would toll, or pause, both the FCC shot clock and the 65-day timeline required by RSA 676:4 for the Planning Board to take action on an application found complete. Bill Lipfert said that he would prefer the wording regarding the noticing of the new hearing date to read ‘reimburse’ rather than ‘invoice.’ Ms. Trimarco presented a calendar with the new deadlines, which was in agreement with the Planning Board’s calculations. Under the proposed agreement, the FCC shot clock would run out on October 9, 2019, and the 65-day timeframe would expire on August 30, 2019.

Mr. Lipfert asked if there was any other information the applicant wished to present. Mr. Chianis stated that the NEPA report should be in hand by July 10, 2019. Mr. Chianis respectfully asked if Audra Klumb could attend the July 18, 2019, meeting to give the Board a walk-through of the significant findings of the report. The Board agreed.

Per Mr. Chianis, the road profile is in progress. Bill Lipfert asked if the horizontal curves for the fire apparatus would be addressed. Mr. Chianis stated that per his discussion with the fire chief, the four wheel drive pick-up could access the site. Bill Lipfert said that he was concerned that only one vehicle in the local fire department fleet would be able to access the site. Mr. Lipfert suggested that Mr. Chianis consult his engineers regarding the sufficient sweep for a regular sized fire truck.

Mr. Chianis continued that Klumb Environmental is delineating the wetlands and the stream. Mr. Chianis has been in contact with several companies about navigational lighting. The driveway permit is in progress. Mr. Chianis will speak to the police chief soon.

The second balloon test will be conducted June 17 from 8am-12 pm. June 18 will be a rain date. The balloon will be anchored at ground level, and wind could affect the exact position of the balloon. Viridi will notify abutters and regional municipalities by regular mail of the balloon test. Ms. Jaarsma asked when the letters would go out. Ms. Trimarco stated that she should be able to get the letters out by Friday, June 7. The Board asked that letters go out by Monday, June 10 at the latest.

An RF engineer will be present at the July 18, 2019, hearing. He will discuss coverage and address any other questions regarding radio frequency.

Construction will be present to discuss the public utility requirements of the facility.

Bill Lipfert asked for a motion to grant a continuance and postpone further consideration to July 18, 2019. Mary Mancuso seconded the motion, and the vote of the Board was in the affirmative 4-0.

Heidi Jaarsma made a motion to accept the agreement dated June 5, 2019, between Viridi Wireless, LLC, and the Town of Cornish Planning Board to toll both the FCC shot clock and the 65-day timeframe required by RSA 676:4 and to authorize Bill Lipfert as Planning Board Chair to sign the agreement. Lyle Parry seconded the motion, and the vote of the Board was in the affirmative.

George Chianis asked regarding the Board's procedure on voting members. Mr. Lipfert reviewed the Rules of Procedure which state that an alternate designated as a voting member will continue until that matter is completed. He added that if a designated voting member is absent, an alternate or regular member not designated at a prior meeting may vote if a quorum is required. Mr. Chianis will notify Ms. Jaarsma if the balloon test is postponed.

Review of Rules of Procedure

The Board reviewed the duties of the Chair as given in the Rules of Procedure. The Board found that no further clarification to the description was necessary.

Adjournment

Mary Mancuso made a motion to adjourn. Lyle Parry seconded the motion, and the vote of the Board was in the affirmative.

Respectfully submitted,
Heidi M. Jaarsma