

Minutes  
Regular Meeting

November 7, 2016

**HINGHAM PLANNING BOARD**  
November 7, 2016 @ 7:00 PM – North

**Present:** Planning Board Members, **Judith S. Sneath, Chairman, Jennifer Gay Smith, Sarah H. Corey\* and Gary Tondorf-Dick.** Also present: Community Planning Director, Mary Savage-Dunham

*\*arrived at 7:10 pm*

**Planning Board Agenda**

**7:00 PM** Review and Adoption of Draft Master Plan Goals and Objectives

*Old/New Business:*

1. Review and Adoption of Minutes from Previous Meetings
2. Administrative Reports
3. Discussion of 230 Beal Street

**Hearing(s)**

**Discussion of 230 Beal Street**

The Chairman called the meeting to order and the Planner noted that the people in attendance wanted to discuss 230 Beal Street. Ms. Sneath recognized Ms. Rockoff and asked her to share her thoughts. Ms. Rockoff discussed with the Planning Board her concerns regarding the lack of specificity as to where some of the former almshouse residents were buried. She asked if the Planning Board could require that there be a witness on site during any excavation for this project so that if bones are encountered they are handled appropriately. Mr. Hersey provided some background on the residents buried on the property also, noting that some were from prominent families. Ms. Sneath explained that the ZBA would be the Board to impose conditions on the project. The Planning Board would simply provide comments and recommendations to the ZBA. The Planning Board would take note of this matter and include it on their list of concerns when it is finalized. The Board also heard that there were Native American Burial grounds on site which the applicant team is aware of. They thanked Mr. Hersey and Ms. Rockoff for their input. The Board then discussed if they would provide comments for the November 9th ZBA hearing on the project. Because the revised plans were just received the Board was not ready to provide any specific comments. They authorized the Planner to send a brief memo to the ZBA on their behalf.

**Administrative Reports**

The Board asked the Planner to follow up with the School Committee to see if a new enrollment study, or, a study on replacement of the Foster School was planned. The Board asked the Planner to be sure all material requested by the Board at previous hearings is submitted. The Board discussed if they would be submitting zoning articles. The Planner suggested that they continue to move forward with Master Plan Goals and Objectives which should drive zoning amendments. The Chair asked the Planner to look at the industrial zone in North Hingham and the Business B zone to see what the possibilities are for development. Then the Planning Board can decide if they are comfortable with that.

The Planning Board reviewed the upcoming meetings and asked that the ZBA hearing be posted for the Planning Board to attend on November 16<sup>th</sup>. The Board determined that they would not hold a meeting November 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Review and Adoption of Draft Master Plan Goals and Objectives**

The Planning Board finalized edits on Section C, and determined that they would work through one or two more sections at the meeting of November 21<sup>st</sup>.

As there was no other business, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Savage-Dunham, AICP  
Director