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Minutes
Planning Board
July 27, 2017
City Hall Auditorium

Attendance Record

✓ = Present / A = Absent / E = Excused

✓ Neil Schuster, Chair	
✓ Don Girouard, Vice-Chair	E Marty Devlin
✓ Michael O'Toole	E Peter Scontras
✓ Rene Ittenbach	✓ Vangel Cotsis

NOTE: Meeting is audio recorded. These audio records will be posted on the City's website and available for public review within one week of the meeting.

Regular Meeting
5:30 p.m.

1. Public Hearing: review and recommendations pertaining to paper streets pursuant to M.R.S.A. Title 23 §3032.

Hamblen reviewed a PowerPoint of talking points about paper streets. Mike: a paper street doesn't go away. The City's rights go away. Accepting as a right of way guarantees public access. Maintaining as a paper street only guarantees the City's rights for another twenty years.

After discussion and a public hearing, the Board voted on the following motions:

- 1) **Don: I move that the Board recommend that the thirty-one (31) paper streets identified in Category 1, "Remove From List," in the document "6-22-17 Department Heads Recommendations to Planning Board", be recognized as having been previously accepted, discontinued, vacated, or otherwise demonstrated to no longer be a paper street having potential value to the City of Saco, and so shall be removed from the 1997 list of Paper Streets, seconded by Rene, and so voted, 6-0.**

- 2) **Mike:** I move that the Board recommend that the twenty-three (23) paper streets identified in Category 2, “Let Expire,” in the document “6-22-17 Department Heads Recommendations to Planning Board”, be recognized as having no discernible value to the City of Saco, and so shall be allowed to expire pursuant to 23 MRSA §3032, and that Pine Crest Avenue and a segment of Surf Avenue be added to Category 2, and that Delhi Avenue, Eutaw Avenue, Garnet Avenue, Gull Avenue, Hall Avenue, Long Pond Avenue, Pine Street, and Waterloo Avenue be removed from Category 2. Seconded by Vangel, and so voted, 6-0.
- 3) **Mike:** I move that the Board recommend that the twenty-two (22) paper streets identified in Category 3, “Re-List as Paper Street,” in the document “6-22-17 Department Heads Recommendations to Planning Board”, be regarded as having potential future value to the City of Saco, thereby each shall be re-listed as a paper street, and recorded as such in the York County Registry of Deeds, and that Delhi Avenue, Eutaw Avenue, Garnet Avenue, Gull Avenue, Long Pond Avenue, and Waterloo Avenue be added to Category 3, and that Pine Crest Avenue be removed from Category 3. Seconded by Vangel, and so voted, 6-0.
- 4) **Vangel:** I move that the Board recommend that the two (2) paper street segments – portions of Lillian Avenue and Vivian Street -- identified in Category 4, “Accept as City Street,” in the document “6-22-17 Department Heads Recommendations to Planning Board”, be accepted as City streets, seconded by Rene, and so voted, 6-0.
- 5) **Mike:** I move that the Board recommend that the seventeen (17) paper streets identified in Category 5, “Accept Public Easement,” in the document “6-22-17 Department Heads Recommendations to Planning Board”, be regarded as having value for public easement purposes, and that pursuant to 23 MRSA §3025 and §3031, to accept the dedication of each of said fifteen paper streets as a public easement, but not as a Town or City way. Furthermore, a portion of Hall Avenue, and a portion of Pine Street shall be added to Category 5, and, E Street shall be removed from Category 5. Furthermore, the Board recommends that, pursuant to 23 MRSA §3151, the City accept each of said seventeen paper streets as a trail. Seconded by Vangel, and so voted, 6-0.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

Bob Hamblen, City Planner