

Chicopee Planning Board Voting Record and Minutes

The Planning Board of the City of Chicopee public hearing for **Thursday, May 2, 2018 at 7 PM** at the RiverMills Senior Center, Classroom 30, 5 West Main St. Chicopee, MA 01020

Meeting was brought to order at 7:02 PM.

Planning Board Attendance

Member	Present	Absent	Excused
Michael Sarnelli, Chair	X		
Tom Reniewicz, Vice	X		
Cynthia Labrie, Clerk	X		
Ronald Czelusniak	X		
Melissa St. Germain			X
Saulo DePaula	X		

Planning Department Staff Attendance

Title	Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Director	Lee Pouliot	X		
Assistant Planner	Patrick McKenna			X
Development Manager	James Dawson	X		

Note: The Board voted to act on the Elections at the end of the meeting.

Motion to act on Elections at the end of the meeting was made by Ronald Czelusniak and seconded by Thomas Reniewicz. Vote was 5-0 to act on the Elections at the end of the meeting.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Michael Sarnelli, Chair	X			
Tom Reniewicz, Vice	X			
Cynthia Labrie, Clerk	X			
Ronald Czelusniak	X			
Saulo DePaula	X			

Item 1a: Board Elections Chairperson

Notes: Michael Sarnelli is the only Board Member not eligible to be nominated for the position of Chair as he has served in the position for two consecutive years.

Motion to nominate Cynthia Labrie was made by Michael Sarnelli and seconded by Thomas Reniewicz. Vote was 4 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention. Cynthia Labrie accepted the nomination.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Michael Sarnelli, Chair	X			
Tom Reniewicz, Vice	X			
Cynthia Labrie, Clerk				X
Ronald Czelusniak	X			
Saulo DePaula	X			

**Item 1b: Board Elections
Vice Chairperson**

Motion to nominate Thomas Reniewicz for Vice Chair was made by Michael Sarnelli and seconded by Cynthia Labrie. Vote was 4 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention. Thhomas reniewicz accepted the nomination.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Michael Sarnelli, Chair	X			
Tom Reniewicz, Vice				X
Cynthia Labrie, Clerk	X			
Ronald Czelusniak	X			
Saulo DePaula	X			

**Item 1c: Board Elections
Clerk**

Motion to nominate Melissa St. Germain was made by Cynthia Labrie and seconded by Ronald Czelusniak. Vote was 5 in favor, 0 opposed. Melissa was excused from the meeting and therefore unable to accept the nomination.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Michael Sarnelli, Chair	X			
Tom Reniewicz, Vice	X			
Cynthia Labrie, Clerk	X			
Ronald Czelusniak	X			
Saulo DePaula	X			

ITEM 2: Zone Change from Business A to Residential B for 8,700 SF of property at 652 Chicopee St. for the purpose of constructing a duplex. Applicant: Andre S. Marcoux and Deborah J.M. Missildine, 67 Catherine St., Chicopee, MA 01013

Notes: The Applicant explained her reason for requesting a Zone Change. Planning Staff noted this would not constitute a “spot zone” as the property was contiguous to a much larger Residential B zoning district.

Motion to recommend approval was made by Ronald Czelusniak and seconded by Cynthia Labrie. Vote was 5-0 to recommend approval to the City Council.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Michael Sarnelli, Chair	X			
Tom Reniewicz, Vice	X			
Cynthia Labrie, Clerk	X			
Ronald Czelusniak	X			
Saulo DePaula	X			

ITEM 3: Lot Releases (Tabled from April 4, 2019) - Ralph Circle – six lot subdivision being constructed at the Chicopee/Springfield City Line. Request is for the release of 5 of the 6 lots. Applicant: SODI Inc., DBA Ralph Capua Homes, 72 Prospect Hills Dr., East Longmeadow, MA 01028

Notes: The Applicant was unable to attend the meeting due to a death in his family. He did submit a letter and photos via email to the Board for consideration of the release of Lots 1-5 of the Ralph Circle Subdivision. Staff noted that there was some issues with the erosion control barriers but the Applicant had made the appropriate repairs. Planning Staff inspected and confirmed the repairs were made.

Motion to release Lots 1-5 was made by Cynthia Labrie and seconded by Michael Sarnelli. Vote was 5-0 to approve the release of Lots 1-5 of the Ralph Circle Subdivision.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Michael Sarnelli, Chair	X			
Tom Reniewicz, Vice	X			
Cynthia Labrie, Clerk	X			
Ronald Czelusniak	X			
Saulo DePaula	X			

ITEM 4a: ANRs – Sheridan Street

Notes: Staff explained the ANR to the Board.

Motion to approve was made by Ronald Czelusniak and seconded by Michael Sarnelli. Vote was 5-0 to approve.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Michael Sarnelli, Chair	X			
Tom Reniewicz, Vice	X			
Cynthia Labrie, Clerk	X			
Ronald Czelusniak	X			
Saulo DePaula	X			

ITEM 4b: ANRs – Britton Street

Notes: Staff explained the ANR to the Board.

Motion to approve was made by Cynthia Labrie and seconded by Michael Sarnelli. Vote was 5-0 to approve.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Michael Sarnelli, Chair	X			
Tom Reniewicz, Vice	X			
Cynthia Labrie, Clerk	X			
Ronald Czelusniak	X			
Saulo DePaula	X			

ITEM 4c: ANRs – 8th Avenue

Notes: Staff explained the ANR to the Board.

Motion to approve was made by Ronald Czelusniak and seconded by Saulo DePaula. Vote was 5-0 to approve.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Michael Sarnelli, Chair	X			
Tom Reniewicz, Vice	X			
Cynthia Labrie, Clerk	X			
Ronald Czelusniak	X			
Saulo DePaula	X			

ITEM 5: Minutes from April 4, 2019

Motion to approve was made by Thomas Reniewicz and seconded by Michael Sarnelli. Vote was 5-0 to approve.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Michael Sarnelli, Chair	X			
Tom Reniewicz, Vice	X			
Cynthia Labrie, Clerk	X			
Ronald Czelusniak	X			
Saulo DePaula	X			

ITEM 6: New Business/Discussion

Election of the Planning Board representative at PVPC.

Notes: Planning Staff advised the Board that they had to vote on the Board’s representative to PVPC. Thomas Reniewicz is the current representative.

Motion to nominate Thomas Reniewicz as the Board’s representative at PVPC was made by Ronald Czelusniak and seconded by Michael Sarnelli. Vote was 4 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention. Thomas Reniewicz accepted the nomination.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Michael Sarnelli, Chair	X			
Tom Reniewicz, Vice				X
Cynthia Labrie, Clerk	X			
Ronald Czelusniak	X			
Saulo DePaula	X			

ITEM 7: Adjournment – Next meeting June 6, 2019

Motion to adjourn was made by Michael Sarnelli and seconded by Thomas Reniewicz. Vote was 5-0 to adjourn.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Michael Sarnelli, Chair	X			
Tom Reniewicz, Vice	X			
Cynthia Labrie, Clerk	X			
Ronald Czelusniak	X			
Saulo DePaula	X			

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 PM.