

DOVER PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

January 10, 2011, Approved as Amended, February 7, 2011

Chair Mark Sarro called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM at the Dover Town House. Also present were Board members Jane Remsen, Greg Sullivan, Henry Faulkner, Consulting Planner Gino Carlucci, and Administrative Assistant Susan Hall.¹

1. T-MOBILE, 5 HARTFORD STREET

Deliberations continued on the draft special permit decision for T-Mobile's application for a wireless service facility at 5 Hartford Street.

The draft decision provides for "up to 4 trees" to be planted within the Town street right-of-way and outside the NStar easement to screen the wireless facility. The Board included this condition in order to meet the expressed concern of abutters and to satisfy the requirement of the zoning bylaw Section 185.46 (2b) to screen the facility with a vertical vegetative buffer of 50' as specified in the bylaw. Mr. Carlucci said he met with a tree company which estimated the cost of evergreen trees, about 25-30 feet in height at the time of planting, at \$8,000 - \$10,000 per tree. Representatives of T-Mobile said a landscape architect reviewed the layout but the company does not yet have a plan or its own cost estimates. They requested the opportunity to do so and to bring that information to a future meeting.

T-Mobile's representatives said NStar told the company that, due to federal regulations, NStar will prune to a height of 3 feet any vegetative screening for the ground equipment directly under the power lines. This conflicts with the draft condition that such vegetation be 7 feet high at planting with an ultimate height of 12 feet. The discussion indicated it may or may not be possible to relocate the ground equipment from under the lines due to NStar requirements. The Board asked Mr. Carlucci to look into the matter.

The Board clarified that the draft condition requiring the cables to be covered by a wooden structure applies only to the horizontal cables on the ice bridge and the ice bridge itself, not to the vertical cables on the pole.

The Board continued deliberations to either January 24 or February 7, depending on when T-Mobile receives information from its landscape architect.

The following items were submitted and can be reviewed in the Planning Board office:

- Letter from NStar dated, January 7, 2011 regarding "Electric Transmission Vegetation Management Plan"

¹ Board member Charles Ognibene was unable to attend due to other commitments.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted to approve the minutes, as amended, for October 18, 2010. The motion passed unanimously with three members voting. Board member Henry Faulkner abstained.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted to approve the minutes, as amended, for November 13, 2010. The motion passed unanimously with three members voting.

3. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Mr. Carlucci informed the Board that the Public Hearing for the proposed sidewalk on Dedham Street has been scheduled for February 7, 2011.

Respectfully submitted

Susan Hall, Administrative Assistant