I. Roll Call

Members Present: Gary Niles - chairman
Louise Ringle
Pete Robinson
Herbert Aumann

Also present: Connie Sands, CEO
Brian Gaudet, Deputy CEO

This meeting was recorded.

II. Minutes – Minutes of the March 1, 2018 meeting were approved.

Motion to approve made by: Robinson
Seconded by: Ringle
Vote: 4 approved 0 opposed

III. Site Plan Review- as requested by Stephen Grammont, for a Multi-Function Center, at 76 North Street, Map 36 Lot 103.

Stephen Grammont is planning on turning the old Agway building into a multi-function center, mainly into two parts. One is being an agriculture food center, consisting of agriculturally small farms, the other being food pantry. The building will be a distribution center for the Good Shepard Food Bank for Piscataquis and Penobscot Counties. Steve is planning on keeping the building as the original foot print for the time being. The old part of the store will be broken up into ADA bathrooms, meeting rooms, offices and food processing. The old warehouse section will stay as a warehouse, for storing food. The last section of the building currently as a garage, will continue to store vehicles and also used to transfer foods from vehicle to vehicle keeping out of the weather. Their also will be a 12x12 freezer. The last piece of the building is an awning, Steve would like to enclose that portion and put in a 12x24 fridge box. There will be a new entrance being put in at the south side of the building. At this time they will not be paving the parking lot due to pricing, but will fill in current holes with gravel. The kitchen will not be open to the general public only approved partners that have been through the appropriate training. The money is not in place at this time to put in the full commercial kitchen. The space has to be approved at a much higher standard due to federal programs. This will come at a later date. There will be a small conference room with sound proofing to allow privacy for people signing up with DHHS and other approved agency. The traffic will be at a minimum compared to what Agway had. There still will be tractor trailer deliveries once a month, with the possibility of once a week. The planning board continued going through the site plan review criteria. There was some confusion with the fire department request. Steve will come into the office next week to discuss this with Brian Gaudet. In the future if the building or business plans change Steve can come back and file an amendment to his current plan. Steve will deal with the code office on any future building permits and sign permits.

Motion to approved made by: Ringle
Seconded by: Robinson
Vote: 4 approved 0 opposed
IV. Changeable Electronics Sign Review- as requested by Jerry Colbry, for Mountains Sports Shop located at 916 West Main Street, Map 36 Lot 103.

Danny Moore spoke on behalf of Mountains Market. The new sign will be 6 inches below the square footage allowed, and the lettering will remain in compliance. The store will like to advertise daily store specials. And the hours of operations will be 6am-9pm. The store will be replacing an old back lit sign. The proposed sign will be 36x38. The brightness of the sign can be adjusted according to the daylight. There will not be any scrolling or flashing. The store doesn’t plan on doing anything that would become distracting to vehicles. The sign is roughly 11 feet high off the ground, and approximately inches wide. The planning board continued going through the electronic sign review.

Motion to approve made by: Ringle
Seconded by: Robinsons
Vote: 4 approved 0 opposed

V. Additional Sign Request- Jody Arno of Ravens Attic East request for placement of a second sign at 224 East Main Street, Map 41 Lot 2.

Jody Arno would like to add a 4x8 sign to the sign of here building facing the Bangor side. It will be made out of plywood and painted. It will be attached to the building. There will be no lighting attached. Jody has 83 feet of frontage to work with. The planning board has no issues approving the additional sign.

Motion to approve made by: Ringle
Seconded by: Aumann
Vote: 3 approved 0 opposed
Robinson- abstained

VI. Open Session

The board had nothing to discuss for open session.

VII. Meeting adjourned

Motion to adjourn made by: Niles
Seconded By: Robinson
Vote: 4 approved 0 opposed

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