

**TOWN OF SOMERS
ZONING COMMISSION
MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, September 4, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 6:35p.m. Members present: Jill Conklin, Chairperson, Karl Walton, Paige Rasid, and Dan Fraro. Also present: Jennifer Roy, Staff Liaison.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Site plan application #18-002: Steve Riley, 21 Eleanor Road, Somers

Suzanne Choate, Design Professionals, Inc. presented a brief update on the site plan to construct “self-storage” facility at 21 Eleanor Road. Ms. Choate mentioned the requested changes from the Sanitarian have been incorporated.

Jennifer Roy confirmed the Planning Commission gave a favorable referral back to the commission.

Karl Walton made a motion to approve the site plan application #18-002, for 21 Eleanor Road to construct a self-storage facility. Dan Fraro seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Special Use permit/Home Occupation application #18-003: Cory Twiss d/b/a CT Sealcoat, 11 Bradfield Drive, Somers.

Cory Twiss present to speak for his application. Mr. Twiss explained his business, no customers on site, he has one commercial pick-up truck, and one trailer which is stored in the rear of his property. Brief discussion was held.

Karl Walton made a motion to accept the application, refer it to the Planning Commission and schedule a public hearing for Monday, October 1, 2018 at 6:30p.m. Paige Rasid seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

STAFF/COMMISSION REPORTS: None

CORRESPONDENCE/BILLS:

1. Discussion: Renata Bowers, Co-founder of Freida B. LLC

Ms. Bowers addressed the commission; explaining the mission and background of Freida B. LLC. She and her partners would like to find a location in Somers, with a tranquil setting for the retreats they will hold. They will mainly host teachers, leaders, etc. Any presentations to students are primarily done at the schools. Ms. Bowers would like to potentially buy a home in the A-1 zone; and apply for Special Use permit as a conservatory. The commission members collectively agreed that this could be a good classification. Jill Conklin pointed out that they should be sure that the property is situated on several acres, so as to not be in close proximity to the neighboring homes. Discussion followed, suggesting various locations throughout town. Ms. Bowers thanked the commission for their time.

MINUTES APPROVAL: July 16, 2018

Karl Walton made a motion to accept the minutes, Dan Fraro seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Paige Rasid made a motion to adjourn, Karl Walton seconded, all in favor, meeting adjourned 7:18 p.m.

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