

Lyme Planning Board Minutes

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Crossroads Site Visit.

Board Members and Staff Present: John Stadler, Chair; Vicki Smith, Member; David Van Wie, Alternate; Rich Brown, Alternate; David Robbins, Planning and Zoning Administrator.

Board Members Absent: Tim Cook, Vice Chair; Kevin Sahr, Select Board Representative; Eric Furstenberg, Member;

Members of the Public Present: Phil Harrison, Brad Choyt, Richard Menge, Rod Finley

John called the meeting to order at 9:30 am at Crossroads campus.

The Board walked around the new building site with Phil describing the location of the new middle school and the site work needed. The building plans were reviewed. The Board discussed the noise from the roof top air conditioning units and the need for Crossroads to ensure that it doesn't adversely affect the residential units to the south. Vicki stated that the exterior access should be locked to prevent unauthorized access.

The Board discussed the construction sequence and the protections that will be in place to ensure the safety of students, staff and parents. Phil stated that the school intended to complete the site work outside of the middle school site when the campus was empty. The proposed middle school site would be fenced off. The upper parking lot would be used to as a staging area for the construction site.

Phil noted that excavated material was to be removed from the site, Vicki suggested that the school ensure that the material was being disposed of properly. David Van Wie suggested that the school consider having the soil tested to make sure that there are no contaminants that would require remediation if moved to a new site.

Phil stated that in the event of a fire, the main water supply was from the pond on the east side of Rt 10. Hoses would need to be laid across the highway and traffic would have to be blocked in both directions. The school has offered to purchase fire hose ramps that could be placed over the hose so that traffic could pass. Phil noted that this would still require traffic control as traffic would have to pass over the ramps slowly.

Vicki asked where the ramps would be stored. Phil stated that they were considering a shed. Vicki stated that the shed should be part of the site plan and if it was located within the road setback it may need Zoning Board approval. She also noted that it would need to remain accessible during the winter months.

Phil walked the Board through the campus viewing the storm water treatment system. Rod noted that the system as installed was designed for a greater capacity than would be

required with the proposed middle school. Rod noted that due to an extreme rain event last year, there was a failure in the current treatment system. Plans for a repair and upgrade to the system have been submitted to the State for permits. Once the permits have been approved, they will fix the issue.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55am.

Respectfully Submitted,
David A. Robbins
Lyme Planning and Zoning Administrator.