

MINUTES
ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE
January 10, 2012

PRESENT: ORC Chair Richard Remsen
 ORC John Alexander
 Planning Office - Tom Ford
 Select Board Liaison William Chapman
 Charlton Ames

ORC Will Gartley
Molly Sholes
Alex Armentrout
Sani Fogel

Chairman Remsen opened the meeting at 7:02 a.m.

A. REVIEW OF MUNICIPAL ROAD ACCEPTANCE ORDINANCE

- a. The Select Board was approached to accept the roadway in Bay Ridge Phase IV Subdi-vision where one lot has been developed. The Committee reviewed three (3) section changes and the addition of a section to the Municipal Road Acceptance Ordinance adopted in November 2007.
- b. Section 401 – the proposed change would lower the percentage of developed lots from 50% to 30% before the developer could apply for Town acceptance of the road. The Public Works Director and Planner recommended 30%. The Committee discussed: the Town’s best interest, the resident’s interest, payment of taxes without receiving full benefits from the Town, and current Town economics,
- c. Section 402.1 – the addition of this section would request the applicant deposit escrow funds necessary to complete the surface coat if one is not in place at the time of acceptance.
- d. Section 507 – The Committee agreed unanimously that proposed municipal roads could be placed on either the June or November warrant not only the November warrant.
- e. Mr. Gartley motioned to change Section 402 as discussed with the addition of Section 402.1 and to accept the proposed changes to Sections 502 and 507. The motion was seconded by Mr. Remsen and passed unanimously.

B. REVIEW OF COASTAL WATERS & HARBOR ORDINANCE

- a. The Harbormaster requested a clarification of “resident” in the Coastal Waters and Harbor Ordinance. Ms. Leonard currently has no easy way of checking a person’s residency in Town.

After discussion, Mr. Alexander motioned, for the purpose of this ordinance, that a resident must be a “registered voter in the Town of Rockport.” The motion was seconded by Mr. Gartley and passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING

The next ORC meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 7:00 a.m. in the Richardson Room of the Town Office.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 a.m.

