

**Town of Cornish
Planning Board Meeting Minutes
Meeting of 5-05-08**

Cornish Planning Board members in attendance: Dan Sherman, Greg Wilfert, Sheena Randall, Ken Hall and Judy MacIntyre

Dan Sherman called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.

Agenda item 1: Public Hearing. To add a new use that will be permissible for the Commercial District and the Industrial District. The “Contractor Services” use will be permissible in all districts except for the Historical, Residential, Resource Protected, Shoreline and Aquifer Districts. The question of category “S” came up in the workshop to be used for the criteria for the Planning Board. The information from the Southern Maine Regional Planning was that we should use the letter “C” which would be easier for the planning board to implement. Definition for Contractor Services is “Trade Specific Services; Electrician, Plumber, etc. General Contractor would have one or more “Trade Specific” contractor working for him. The applicant that came to the Planning Board was a Trade Specific Contractor. Selectman Peggy Aspinal asked why we didn’t just make it OK for a General Contractor to come in to the Industrial Park. In all the discussions and workshops that have gone before, it was never brought up to include a General Contractor in this change. That doesn’t mean it can never be approved. It would just need to be another application brought forward to the Planning Board. At this time the Planning Board is trying to use good judgment in this decision to not go against the original intent of the people who wrote the original Table of Permissible Uses. As there was no further discussion, the Planning Board voted unanimously to move the amendment forward without modification.

Agenda Item 2: Conditional Use permit for Stephen De Biaso to open his “Bag Lady” store at 39 Maple Street (Map U2-Lot 14). There are 742 Square feet available for his shop and there are 21 parking places available for the property and 1 handicapped. He needs 6 spots for his size of shop, so he has plenty of spaces. The question of him calling the MDOT for a curb-cut permit came up. Change of use requires a new permit from MDOT. The application will move forward as soon as the curb-cut permit is available. Mr. De Biaso will be on the next meeting agenda to complete this application.

The meeting was adjourned.