

**Town of Mount Desert Planning Board
Planning Board Meeting Minutes
Meeting Room, Town Hall
6:00 pm, June 14, 2017**

Public Present

Josh Willard

Board Members Present

Chairman Bill Hanley, Meredith Randolph, Joanne Eaton, Lili Andrews

Also present was Recording Secretary Heidi Smallidge

I. Call to Order

Chairman Hanley called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. Voting members were noted.

II. Approval of Minutes

MAY 24, 2017: Approval of the May 24, 2017 was tabled for lack of voting members.

III. Conditional Use Approval Application(s):

A. Conditional Use Approval Application: #005-2017

OWNER(S): Jean E. Travers, Trustee
Matthew D. Travers
Bruce A. Travers

AGENT: Josh Willard, Chalmers Enterprises, LLC

LOCATION: 21 Robinson Lane, Hall Quarry

TAX MAP: 007 **LOT**: 082 **ZONE(S)**: Shoreland Residential 2 (SR2) &
Rural Woodland 2 (RW2)

PURPOSE: Section 3.4 – Piers, Docks, Wharves, Bridges and other Structures and Uses
Extending over or below the Normal High-Water line or within a wetland (refer to Section
6C.7 – Marine and Freshwater Structure Performance Standards).

SITE INSPECTION: 4:00 PM

Ms. Andrews confirmed adequate public notice. Abutters were notified. There was no conflict of interest found.

Chairman Hanley noted that he and Ms. Eaton were the only people present at the site visit. Neither the Applicant nor their Agent was present. Chairman Hanley and Ms. Eaton were unable to determine where exactly the proposed site was.

Mr. Willard explained the proposal: At the rock ledge in front of the cabin the Applicant would like to pin a ramp header into the ledge. The only structure will be a ramp and a float. There will be a small step up onto the ramp from the ledge. There is a 6-foot depth at the float. There is a natural pathway along the tree line to the area the ramp will be that has been used by the family for years. He stated the property owners

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would like to have the ramp in place by the Fourth of July.

Discussion ensued regarding whether the application could be considered without a site visit to explain the proposal. Mr. Willard assured the Board that the ramp was shorter than others in the area. The ramp will be well inside navigable waters. The neighbors on either side have piers sixty feet or longer. The ramp will articulate on the header bracket, reducing wave action affecting the ramp.

It was agreed the Board could review the application as stated despite the lack of an effective site visit.

CHAIRMAN HANLEY MOVED TO FIND THE APPLICATION COMPLETE. MS. EATON SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED 4-0.

MS. RANDOLPH MOVED, WITH MS. EATON SECONDING, TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION.

MS. ANDREWS MOVED, WITH CHAIRMAN HANLEY SECONDING, TO USE THE SHORT FORM. MOTION APPROVED 4-0.

A review of the Application checklist was made and is attached to these Minutes.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION WAS APPROVED 4-0.

Item III.B was tabled at the request of the Applicant.

VI. Adjournment

MS. EATON MOVED, WITH MS. RANDOLPH SECONDING, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. MOTION APPROVED 4-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.