

Minutes of 2/10/2016 Ledyard Town Planning Board meeting

Members present: Ronald Buxenbaum, Paul Simkin, Claire Morehouse, Steve Kubarek , Mark Bailey.

Meeting called to order at 7:28 PM

Ron: meeting to consider lifting restriction on Wells College use of athletic field lights at night.

Ron: Reading application. See application

President Gibraltar: Reading request to Planning Board. See letter

Athletic Director Mike Lindbergh reading letter to Planning Board. See letter.

Paul Simkin: move to lift restrictions.

Mark Bailey: second

Discussion:

Tim Lawrence: adjust lights

Letter from Margaret Flowers: see letter

John Binns: redirect lights

Mike White: let college go forward and use lights.

Mary Ann Lawrence: lights a problem.

Tom Yale: do some fixing but proceed.

Steve Kubarek : no shields-Big problem.

Linda Swab: 5 Lights out of 82 need adjusting.

Ken Furness: 2 gems-Village and Wells-they are heading in right direction, let them progress,

Brian Brown: Head of Wells building and Grounds: NCAA standards for lighting of playing fields: submitted brochure record: Lighting company-Put shields on lights. See brochure.

Margaret Flowers: lights are not shielded right. Light glare vs light spill: light glare a problem.

Paul Simkin: amended motion. Restrictions to be lifted now with more work to be done on light spillage to be accomplished by 8/1/2016

Second by Mark Bailey

Discussion:

John Binns: Can you put shields on 5 lights in question to see if problem can be solved?

Brian Brown: can shield lights but that does not make it safe for players.

Steve Kubarek :Doesn't believe data. No shields on lights.

Brian Brown: Engineers put on shields, all that they could and still have safe playable field.

Claire: wants 5 lights shielded to see if spillage can be solved.

Vote on motion:

Three in favor : Paul, Mark, and Ron

Two against: Steve and Claire

Motion passed.

But more work to be done on lights to meet NCAA standards and make neighbors happier.

Wells College application for Special Permit to complete Athletic field amenities. See application. To include dugouts, batting cages, press box, bullpens and ADA compliant access.

Application reviewed item by item.

Claire Morehouse: motion to grant special permit.

Paul Simkin: Second

No discussion

Passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9PM

Minutes taken by Mark Jordan and typed Ronald Buxenbaum