

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, April 18, 2022 at 7:00PM**  
**7 Summer Street and Zoom Hybrid**

**In Attendance:**

Board Members Present: Dan Devoe, Matt Murawski, Bill McGrath, Chris Recchia and John Hart

Board Members Absent:

Town Employees: Joshua Jerome

Other: Chip Milnor

**1. Call to order**

- Matt called the meeting to order at 7:03pm

**2. Public to be heard - none**

**3. Approval of minutes** - A motion was made by Dan to approve the minutes of March 21, 2022, seconded by Bill and all voted in favor (4-0-0) (minutes were voted on after Old Business and John left the meeting before the vote on the minutes).

**4. Old/New Business – Chips Auto:** This was a follow up from the November 2021 meeting because a complaint had been made by a neighbor of the increased site of the auto repair shop. A review of the previous DRB decision from 2008 specified the use of the site at that time. Since that decision, the eastern portion of the site has been expanded and is used as a parking lot at this time. Both conditional use and site plan review is required as it is a non-conforming use in the district. Mr. Murawski stated that the DRB needs to consider this as a new request even though the work has already been done. A proposed site plan was discussed where it incorporates an L shaped row of vegetation which would narrow the entrance to the site and provide screening from neighbors. The type of screening discussed is some combination of shrubs/bushes and trees with some height. It doesn't need to block everything, but serves to break up the parking lot. Trees to be planted should be 5'-6' and grow to about 12' to 15' in height. The DRB, after review of all criteria for conditional use and site plan find that the expanded site is not in compliance with criterion for accessing the site and for screening. Mr. Milnor said he couldn't commit to the proposed plan until he identifies how much it will cost. It was suggested that the DRB wait until the May meeting when Chip can come back, informed as to whether he would like to bring the site into compliance or plant grass seed over the expanded portion and not use it for business purposes.

**5. Adjournment** – A motion was made by Bill to adjourn, seconded by Matt and all voted in favor (4-0-0).