

**SOMERSWORTH PLANNING BOARD  
MINUTES OF SITE WALK  
MAY 16, 2012**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** William Sweeney, Chairman, Bob Belmore, City Manager, Dan Proulx, Paul Robidas, Ernie Gallant, Ron LeHoullier and Erwin Grant.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Anthony Delyani, Vice Chairman, City Council Representative and Paul Maskwa, Alternate.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Dave Sharples, City Planner and Tracy Gora, Planning Secretary.

The site walk began at 5:38 p.m.

**Frank Palella**, property owner, addressed the Board and described the project and showed where the garage will be built. Explained that the carport will go over the existing storage unit structure.

Belmore asked if the garage will help with the clutter.

Palella replied yes and stated that the material currently outside will be kept in the garage.

Robidas asked if the yard can be cleaned up and if any code violations can be pursued.

Palella stated that he is growing gardens and flowers and that he will continue to improve the area. Stated that there is no trash, paper or clutter. Mentioned the Government telling people what to do with their property.

Robidas stated that there is an obligation to the neighbors.

Palella stated that the property will be clean, organized and productive. Stated that he bought the property as a foreclosure.

Grant asked if the carport is going to be built large enough for the storage unit to be pulled out from under it if it needs to be removed.

Palella replied yes.

Proulx asked if the lighting is on at night.

Palella replied no.

Grant asked about having running water for the garage.

The Board discussed site distance for the driveway and discussed signage.

Sweeney asked why a portion of the fencing on the east side is missing.

Palella stated that the neighbors took it down to allow ATVs to come through.

Robidas asked if it is a property maintenance issue.

Sharples replied yes and stated that outdoor storage and other issues being cited are not covered in the Site Plan Regulations. Stated that the Office of Code Enforcement is involved with the property owner regarding several issues. Asked how many small engine repair customers the property owner has.

Palella replied that he has about 20 clients and that there are five or so current ones.

Site walk adjourned at 6:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Sharples', is written over a horizontal line.

Dave Sharples, Director of Planning and Community Development  
Somersworth Planning Board