

**TAMWORTH PLANNING BOARD**  
**Groundwater Protection Ordinance Committee**

Draft minutes

October 28, 2022

9:00 AM, Town Office Building

1. Call Meeting to Order. – The meeting was called to order at 9:02 am by Sheldon Perry. Present are: Sheldon Perry, Nick Grant, Jeremy Phillips, Karen McCall (9:04 am).  
Kit Morgan is absent.  
David Little is present.
2. Approval of 10/25/22 GPO public hearing minutes. – Item 2 – change use to us. Page 3 #4 change erosion to contamination. Jeremy made a motion to approve as amended, Nick seconded. APPROVED

Sheldon commented regarding the legality (#4). David Little believes that the Planning Board must vote to have a public hearing and vote to approve the draft prior to December 31. The 31<sup>st</sup> is the last day to post a draft. January 12 will be the last day a hearing can be held.

There is a meeting of the Planning Board on November 16, at which time the draft will be presented to the Planning Board for a vote and a vote to schedule a public hearing on December 14 will be held. The document will be sent for legal review after edits today.

Sheldon will communicate with Christine Fillmore, Town Attorney.

3. Groundwater Protection Ordinance- Next steps –

Review of comments from public hearing.

Pg 6 – comment XI. Existing non-conforming uses. Item E – keep this in as it is a reminder to people that they still need to meet the already existing requirements at the State and Federal level. The committee prefers that this read ‘all State and Federal requirements.’ Check with the Attorney on this.

Page 7b – J&K – suggestion was to delete both. After words ‘RSA 425:2 are exempt from Article 6’ – remove everything after that. Impervious surfaces can be done in the field via foldable surfaces.

With timber harvesting – eliminate everything in the last sentence.

Add to definition of mobile impervious – when off site, a mobile impervious surface is acceptable.

Eliminate words after best management practices.

Sheldon suggests - Keep J and K as they are. This is consensus.

XIII – comment was that we should have more detail. The committee feels that this should be left as is. Ask attorney about unspecified fee legality. Karen will check with Ossipee to see what they have for a fee. Belmont has a fee but the fee does not apply if the business is in compliance.

Issue of effective date – legal question. Ramifications of delaying implementation from adoption?

Page 8 specifies a fee of \$100 for application. Inspection fee is unspecified.

Change Board of Selectmen to Selectboard throughout the document.

4. Groundwater protection- Educational opportunities – Karen spoke about Belmont's action for educating the population at large. This could be customized to Tamworth. Green Mountain has brochures available. Other towns have done displays at their libraries. Dr. Newton in February? Pierce Rigrod November 9 is a seminar on Health and Water.

Outreach to businesses first. Informational sheet for general public. A need for a detailed map was highlighted when the public hearing was held. EDC could invite businesses to the educational opportunities.

Notify businesses in the wellhead protection area – ask Lakes Region Planning if they can notify?

Bullet point info sheet for distribution at the Town Office.

5. Action items. Karen will speak to Amy about the library winter series. Mary Cronin about library display. Dr. Newton about February? Jeremy will work on developing ideas for a pamphlet.

Public Hearing on December 14, 2023

6. Adjournment. – Nick made a motion to adjourn at 11:27 am, Jeremy seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Melissa Donaldson  
Planning Board Clerk