

Town of Tamworth

Planning Board

*** draft MINUTES ***

December 15, 2010

Meeting continued at 7:02 pm at the Town Hall

Members Present: Dom Bergen Chairman, David Little, Steve Gray, Skip Nason, John Roberts, Selectmen's Rep , Becca Boyden

Members Absent: Nicole Maher-Whiteside

Alternates Present: Tom Peters, Pat Farley

Alternates Absent: David Cluff, Peter Vanderlaan

Tom was seated for Nicole.

MINUTES:

11/17 - 1 correction noted, Becca made a motion to approve as corrected. David seconded. Tom and John abstained. APPROVED

11/16 - 3 corrections noted. Becca made a motion to approve as corrected. David seconded. Tom and John abstained. APPROVED

12/1 - Steve made a motion to approve the minutes as written. David seconded. John and Tom abstained. APPROVED

12/6 - Steve made a motion to approve the minutes as written. David seconded. John abstained. APPROVED

12/8 - Becca made a motion to approve the minutes as written. David seconded. John and Tom abstained. APPROVED

12/8 continued - Steve made a motion to approve the minutes as written. David seconded. John abstained. APPROVED

Treasurers Report - Steve received communication requesting that all bills for 2010 be submitted. There will be an audit in January. Everything is looking good. There is an online update to the Planning Board Handbook. Check your binders to see if you need the updates.

Secretary's Report - There are no new applications. There is a letter from AT&T that will be addressed under Old/New Business. David sent a letter to Mr Watkins but has not received a reply.

LURC - no report

CIP - no report

Earth Excavation Committee – No report

Ordinance Review Committee – No report

School Board – Pat reported that the first draft of the school budget was presented on 12/14 to the School Board. There will be a meeting at 5:30 tomorrow at the school. November 18th the bullying policy was discussed. The plow bid was given to Forst. Public budget meeting dates will be established. Bids for the generator will be opened at 6:30 pm on 12/16. The Tamworth portion of the SAU 13 budget is \$219871, last year was \$211000.

Lakes Region Planning Commission – met on November 22 in Franklin to discuss brown fields. LRPC will assist property owners with money and advice for cleanups. The executive meeting of the LRPC was last week, with a focus on Selectmen and Planning Board chairperson attending their annual meeting in June. LRPC is supportive of new ideas from economic development groups, and may sponsor a committee in the near future.

Selectmen's Representative Report – John reported that the Board is back to meeting on their regular schedule. Two selectmen went to a conference in Manchester last month, and the Selectmen have met on three Mondays to work on budgets. Angel Auto has been cleaned up. It was put out to bid, and all vehicles have been removed. David Little congratulates the Selectmen on their persistence in this matter. This property has not been checked for contamination. Becca asked about Pine Ground Road being plowed. The Selectmen will be discussing this at their meeting tomorrow.

Representative to the Conservation Commission – Skip reports that the TCC met on Monday. Angel Auto cleanup was discussed. There is a property which the Conservation Commission is interested in being a partial donator on, at the Corner of Routes 25 and 113 near the Community School. It is a 19 acre parcel. The Community School would be the main purchaser of the property, and will apply conservation easements. The Conservation Commission would like to appropriate up to \$5000 from the Conservation Fund. They will need to hold a public hearing on this matter, which is being referred to as the Beaver Brook Property. Kathy Bunker has resigned, the Commission is looking for new members.

Pat reported that the Economic Development Committee is making brochures, and needs a complete list of all businesses in Tamworth. This information will be used for rack cards for residents, a categorized list of local businesses.

Pat also added to the LRPC report – Information was presented regarding the Lightning Pitch, a “speed dating” event to bring together entrepreneurs and investors. Babson College has this program. Businesses are presented in 3 minutes. This is being proposed for the LRPC area.

Broadband has been established, and beta testing is currently underway. Pat would like to thank the Tamworth Foundation, Selectmen, and Dennis Quinn for their support of this project. John Moir has offered to be a relay station for Washington Hill area. Monthly fee is \$45, with an initial equipment charge of \$400.

GROUNDWATER PROTECTION ORDINANCE REVIEW:

A copy of the draft with comments was distributed.

David suggested deleting the map at the end of the packet. He will produce a map and will put the grid on it. He would like to use the state grid system, as that is the system used by Granite. Becca agrees.

Becca made a motion to delete the map (p13), replace it with a large scale map (1-24000), to be housed at the town office, showing the aquifer and wellhead protection areas combined, using the grid system. David seconded. APPROVED

Second part of comment A1 – the Board disagrees with these comments. Becca made a motion to add “after a public hearing” after District. David seconded. John would like to determine the burden of proof. APPROVED

The burden of proof should be on DES or USGS, depending on who produced the map. A discussion was held about who should be responsible. Tom P feels that the paragraph needs revisions.

Becca made a motion that this paragraph should read “If the base maps referenced in #1 and #2 are updated, the Planning Board may revise the map of the groundwater protection district after a public hearing. Skip seconded. APPROVED

Section VI – no change

Section VII – no change

Section VIII – comment A5 – District is both sections. 5 gallons is the State’s definition that is used. Section B is being left alone. On site heating fuels are exempt. Pesticides are exempt.

Section J – Use David’s recommended language. – Becca made a motion to use alternate language J and K for existing “J”. Steve seconded. APPROVED

Section IX – leave as is, heating fuels are exempt.

David made a motion to delete article B sections 1-4. Becca seconded. APPROVED

Section X – 1st comment - leave as is.

Comment A19 – closed and sealed can be dangerous. Becca made a motion to add “ and vented where appropriate”. Skip seconded. APPROVED

Section XI – heating fuels are exempt. Existing businesses are grandfathered. Leave this section as is.

Steve made a motion to change section VII by adding “and I” at the end of section C. Becca seconded. APPROVED

Section VII – C- Comment A25 – leave as is. Comment A26 – Steve made a motion to insert the variance/waiver – Article 5 of the Zoning Ordinance – to this section. Becca seconded. APPROVED

Appendix comment A27 – leave as is

Comment A28 – amend exemption under 8a

David made a motion to add “and residential activities are” in section VIIIa. Becca seconded. APPROVED

Comment A29 – leave as is

Comment A30 – David made a motion to delete “snowdump” and section 7E. Tom P seconded. APPROVED, with Skip opposed.

Skip made a motion to accept all revisions made this evening to the Groundwater Protection Ordinance draft of 11/17/10. Steve seconded. APPROVED

David made a motion to set the public hearing date for December 29, 2010 at 7 pm. John seconded. APPROVED

Dom will check for availability of the school, and if that is not available, will try for Runnells Hall.

Consideration of Planning Board Clerk job description – Copies were distributed for review. Tom made a motion to accept the job description as presented. John seconded. APPROVED

Amendment of Planning Board Procedures : Becca made a motion to change the procedures to read “published in a newspaper of general circulation” David seconded. APPROVED

Hearing on Planning Board abolishment – Conservation Commission would like to meet before the Planning Board at this hearing. Becca made a motion to hold this hearing on January 5, 2011, at 6:30 for the Conservation Commission, and 7:30 for the Planning Board. David seconded. APPROVED. Again, Dom will attempt to reserve the school, and if that is not available, will check with Runnells Hall.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

AT&T submitted a letter in regards to the tower on Route 16, requesting permission to install additional equipment. They do not have a permit, this was built before the ordinance took effect. They are asking for exemption of site plan review. They know that they need to go to the Selectmen, but do they need to come to the Planning Board first? Selectmen’s office sent them to David. It is suggested that the Planning Board ask the ATT Attorney to submit supplemental information with updates to the Planning Board, then go to the Selectmen for their permit. Slip made a motion to waive the site plan review for the temporary dish. John seconded. APPROVED. David will write them a letter explaining this.

There are some questions about zoning that have not been addressed – regarding relationships between zoning and tax rates, business development, and fees associated with applications, etc. There is one more hearing, Dom will ask Nicole to have LURC members research these questions.

CMI Remand – Planning Board is required to send decision to applicant outlining their decision and reasons for that decision. John will speak to Atty. Sager to determine who is going to write the decision.

Tom made a motion to adjourn at 9:58 pm. Skip seconded. APPROVED

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Donaldson

Planning Board clerk