

Town of Tamworth

Planning Board

*** DRAFT MINUTES ***

April 22, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

Members Present: Dom Bergen Chairman, Tom Cleveland (7:02 pm), Scott Aspinall (7:06 pm), David Little, & John Roberts– Selectmen’s Representative.

Members Absent: Nicole Maher-Whiteside, Dave Sargent

Alternates Present: Becca Boyden, Steve Gray, Pat Farley, Tom Peters

Alternates Absent: none

Becca was appointed to sit on the Board in place of Nicole. Pat was appointed to sit for Dave Sargent.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

- March 25, 2009 – Accepted as presented. Becca motioned to accept. Pat seconded. John R. abstained. APPROVED.
- April 8, 2009 Work Session – 2 corrections noted. Becca made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Pat seconded the motion. John R. abstained from the vote. APPROVED.

Reports:

- **Treasurer:** Presented by David Little on behalf of Nicole. \$2868.98 has been spent to date, leaving a balance of \$32036.02
- **Secretary:** David Little : No new applications to review. One waiver request has been received. Four letters of interest were received for the Planning Board alternate position. A note from David Haskell indicates that he would like to be considered for the CIP Committee. The Lakes Region Planning Commission will be meeting on May 11 at 7 pm.
- **Master Plan :** Tom P. stated that the implementation stages of the Master Plan are still open in front of us. Letters were sent to the Selectmen.
- **CIP:** Dom would like the CIP to meet before the next meeting, again noted that David Haskell has expressed an interest in joining.
- **Selectmens Representative:** No report
- **Conservation Commission:** David Little took the suggested nominations to the Selectmen’s meeting. Ned continues as Chairperson for the Conservation Commission. The Master Plan Implementation is scheduled to be reviewed next month. Margaret Reiser will coordinate with the excavation committee.
- **Ordinance Committee:** Dom reports that the Ordinance Committee is still working on the ordinances and removing the old ordinances which are no longer applicable. This list will be voted on. A request has been sent to each board to submit copies of their blank applications to be reviewed for consistency.

- **School:** Pat reports that the School Board is studying a merger of SAU 9 and SAU 13. Gwen Poirier is leaving as superintendent.
- **Earth Excavation Regulation Subcommittee:** John R. reported for Willie: the old files have been researched and no further information was obtained. Steve reported that the committee has reviewed other town's forms, etc. for possible guidance on Tamworth's process, but that nothing seemed similar to the Keene or Belmont guides that we have. The next work session will cover gravel pits.
- **Lakes Region Planning Commission** – Tom Peters reports that there will be a meeting of the LRPC on May 11, 6:30 pm, at the Moultonboro Public Safety building, to discuss groundwater withdrawals. He asked for the surveys to be completed and sent in, which has previously been done. He had a survey requesting information regarding Tamworth's municipal officers, which has been delegated to Melissa to complete. Melissa will complete with assistance from Cassandra.
- **Green Mountain Conservation Commission:** Scott A. reports that the GMCC will be at the Selectmen's meeting on May 21 to deliver their water quality monitoring study. He encouraged the Planning Board to attend.
- **Master Plan Implementation:** Becca would like to turn the Master Plan implementation schedule into a user friendly document that can be distributed. She offered her services for design and organization. David L. will provide the information in word format. It was decided that Becca should pursue this project. Tom P. cautions on the expenses that may be incurred and the funding currently available for the Master Plan.

**7:32 pm – Ossipee Valley Snowmobile Club/Great Hill Reservation Trust – SUP application
Map 405 Lot 15**

The SUP was previously accepted as complete.

Skip Christenbury and John Rowe were in attendance to represent the OVSC. Dom read the specifics on a public hearing. David L. recapped the information regarding the SUP application. It was accepted on 2/25/09, noticed, then re-noticed due to an incomplete abutter list. It was re-scheduled for March 25 meeting, but was tabled due to lack of representation from OVSC.

OVSC plans to cover with cedar mulch and hat in May 2009. They presented a map showing where corduroy, piping and geofabric has been recommended. The remainder of the work will be done in June/July, after they receive grant funding they have applied for. A supplemental letter was delivered, indicating that they intend to add an additional 12"x25' culvert.

Scott A. proposed a site walk prior to approving the SUP. Tom P felt that we will need to expedite the process in order to meet the DES requirements for remediation. OVSC feels that that the hay and seed can be done without the SUP. Dave L. asks if OVSC is amending their application to include the 4/14 letter to DES and reference maps provided at this meeting. Skip answered yes.

The hearing was opened to the public. Ned Beecher stated that the Wetlands Ordinance says haying and seeding can ne done as long as the surface configuration does not change. Ned would like to see this happen ASAP. Dom read the letter that was sent to the Planning Board from the Conservation Commission, which has been submitted as part of the application.

Sandra Flanagan would like to know if sled dogs are allowed to use the trail. Skip answered yes.

Scott Aspinall comments that the owners of the property allow snowmobiles, but no other motorized vehicles. David Little commented that the dogs did use it this winter.

Dom recommends a site walk for Thursday evening, 4/23, at 5:30 pm, meeting at the intersection of Great Hill Road and Pease Hill Road.

OVSC requested that the hearing be continued. The hearing will be continued on May 27, no earlier than 7:30 pm. Haying and seeding can be done in the meantime.

New Business:

- **Scott Finman** – wetlands waiver request. Scott A. recused. Tom P. will sit in for Scott. Randy Shuey – wetlands scientist presented information regarding the request. Tom Peters asked why they requested a waiver instead of a SUP. Steve Nicks, attorney present for Mr. Finman, explained that the Conservation Commission and the Selectmen had recommended the waiver request. Ned Beecher stated that the waiver request is not needed for the lot of record prior to 1991, however, they need a waiver of buffer requirement. David Little would like to know how much of the buffer is being affected. Randy reports that approximately 5000 square feet are in the area of the bridge and culvert. The Conservation Commission recommends granting the waiver. Discussion ensued. The hearing was closed. Dave L. made a motion to grant waiver. Tom seconded. APPROVED.
- **Applications for Alternate Planning Board Member** – Four letters of interest were received. Each applicant gave a brief presentation about themselves and their interest in the planning board. Each was asked to give their point of view on zoning. David Cluff was not present to give a presentation. The Board heard from Robert Abraham, Lee Custer, and Sandra Flanagan. Discussion ensued regarding the procedure of appointment. David L. motioned to delay appointment until the next meeting, being held on May 27, and to request that David Cluff be present at that meeting for an interview. Becca seconded. Approved 5-1, John Roberts opposed.

Old Business

- David Haskell had expressed interest in being a member of the CIP, but withdrew his application.
- Tom Peters: regarding Steering Committee/Community Profile, He would like to contact the UNH extension or LRPC for assistance in organizing a plan.
- Steve Gray spoke regarding the Awards we considered making nominations for, and wonders if we should submit both names on one application. Discussion ensued, and it was decided that we would submit one nomination, for Herb Cooper. Pat made the motion to submit Herb, Becca seconded. APPROVED.

Pat motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 pm. Tom P. seconded. APPROVED.

Next meetings are: May 13, 2009 -- Work Session – gravel
May 27, 2009 – Regular Meeting – OVSC, McGarity

Submitted by
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Planning Board Clerk

