DEERFIELD PLANNING BOARD DEERFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 26, 2014

MINUTES OF MEETING

PRESENT: Board members Fred McGarry, Kate Hartnett, William Perron, Peter Schibbelhute, Selectmen's representative Rebecca Hutchinson. Also present Planning Consultant Gerald Coogan and secretary Jane Boucher.

Chair Fred McGarry called the meeting to order at 7PM.

#### 2014 BUDGET

Chair McGarry noted that the budget reflected the line item for PB Grant was in the red \$9749.00. The money received from NH Housing for the grant was not credited to the line item which was used for payments to Jack Mettee for his consulting work.

Board members agreed that Chair McGarry schedule an appointment with the Board of Selectmen to discuss this further.

## ALTERNATE MEMBER

A letter was received from David Doran, 10 South Road, offering to fill the position as an alternate member to the Planning Board. This will be placed on the agenda for the April 9, 2014 meeting.

### ROLLINS EXCAVATION SITE

Board members received a copy of a letter to Nellie Rollins from Chair McGarry, dated 3/14/14, advising that if payment was not made for KNA within 10 days a compliance hearing would be scheduled.

The secretary advised that certified mail receipt was signed for on March 15, 2014 and no payment has been received as of this date.

Gerald Coogan will confer with Attorney James Raymond regarding how to proceed with notification of the hearing.

Peter Schibbelhute moved and William Perron seconded to schedule a compliance hearing for Rollins Excavation on Parade Road on April 23, 2014 at 7PM. Voted in favor.

7:15PM APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING NH ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE (NHEC)

Scott Carlson, representing NHEC and Barbara Matthews were present.

Chair McGarry read the Notice of Public Hearing by which NHEC is requesting permission to remove trees that pose a specific

threat to their electric distribution system on portions of Candia Road, a scenic road, in Deerfield, NH .

Mr. Carlson provided a list of trees and a map showing their specific location. A copy is attached to these minutes.

Barbara Matthews asked if the trees were marked. Mr. Carlson said yes they were marked with surveyor's tape.

Board members reviewed the list of trees and the map.

Kate Hartnett questioned if abutters were noticed. Mr. Carlson replied that it was not a requirement to notice abutters. Phone calls were made to those customers with meters.

The secretary advised that notice had been posted and published and the agenda scheduling the hearing was on the web site.

Kate Hartnett felt that a site visit is necessary before the Board approves the application. Other Board members felt a site visit was not necessary. Ms. Hartnett will visit the site with Barbara Matthews. Mr. Carlson offered to meet at the site as well.

Rebecca Hutchinson moved to continue the Public Hearing for NHEC to April 9, 2014 at 7PM. Peter Schibbelhute seconded. Voted in favor.

JEANNE MENARD Jeanne Menard was present.

Ms. Menard noted that she wanted to share some thoughts that residents had expressed regarding the Village District proposal.

Jeanne Menard said that people questioned why buildings should be closer together and allow for higher density, as it would create a fire hazard. She added that many people questioned why there were height restrictions. They felt that , in a Village District, it would be appropriate for a church of perhaps Town Hall to be erected.

Chair McGarry referred to the Ordinance , 207.5 c "Chimneys, spires, silos, towers, stage houses , lightning rods, or the like superstructure not used for human occupancy may extend above the height limit specified if located on a structure of main use."

Ms. Menard also referred to a recent ZBA hearing for property located in South Deerfield. She said it was made clear by abutters present that they did not want to see any change to

the area. She felt this would be the attitude of abutters in all sections of Town. People do not want to see change.

### APPROVAL OF MANIFEST

Peter Schibbelhute moved and William Perron seconded to approve the manifest in the amount of \$1,449.00 and a time sheet for Jane Boucher. (Upton & Hatfield \$312.00 Zoning;\$672.75 Reimbursed by Verizon; \$126.75 Reimbursed by Yeaton; KNA \$337.70 Reimbursed by Verizon; time sheet for Jane Boucher 19 1/2 hours) Voted in favor.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kate Hartnett moved to approve the minutes of March 12, 2014 as printed. Peter Schibbelhute seconded. Voted in favor with Rebecca Hutchinson and William Perron abstaining.

EXTENSION; ALTERATION OF TERRAIN PERMIT; CATHLEEN PERRON Ms. Perron had met with the Board on March 12, 2014 requesting an extension of an Alteration of Terrain Permit. Chair McGarry advised that he had checked with DES and found that the Planning Board can extend the permit if it applied to all phases of the subdivision. Gerald Coogan will advise Ms. Perron that according to RSA 674:4 the Board considers the permit applies to all phases of the application.

8:10 PM Kate Hartnett moved to go into non-public session according to RSA 91-A 3:II. Peter Schibbelhute seconded.

Peter Schibbelhute Yes
William Perron Yes
Rebecca Hutchinson Yes
Kate Hartnett Yes
Fred McGarry Yes

9PM Peter Schibbelhute moved to leave non-public session.

William Perron seconded.

Peter Schibbelhute Yes
William Perron Yes
Rebecca Hutchinson Yes
Kate Hartnett Yes
Fred McGarry Yes

The minutes were not sealed and no action was taken during non-public session.

## EXTENSION OF CONTRACT

Peter Schibbelhute moved to extend the contract for Gerald Coogan for 30 days. (April 13, 2014). William Perron seconded. Voted in favor.

9PM William Perron moved to adjourn the meeting. Peter Schibbelhute seconded. Voted in favor.

PLANNING BOARD 3/26/14

Recorded and transcribed by Jane Boucher Pending Approval by the Planning Board Mr. Jerry Coogan

Deerfield Planning Board

Re: Scenic Road Hearing Request

Dear Mr. Coogan,

I'm writing this letter to request a public hearing be held to permit New Hampshire Electric Cooperative (NHEC) to remove trees that pose a specific threat to our electric distribution system along portions of Candia Rd., in Deerfield, New Hampshire. NHEC has contracted with Asplundh Tree Experts to perform regular maintenance trimming on the entire north circuit out of the Deerfield delivery point during 2014.

I have identified the trees that I would like to have the contractor remove while they are doing the regular maintenance trimming. The trees are marked in the field with red and black checkered surveyors flagging. The trees are listed in the attached inventory by pole location, approximate diameter, common name and the reason I'd like to remove them. In the column that has the pole number that the tree is associated with, the following will explain how this works to make it easy to find the trees in the field. Trees that are in the row labeled 6/86 % A are located inbetween poles 6/86 % and 6/86 % A. Trees that are in the row 8/86 % B are located between poles A and B in the field.

Since Candia Rd. is on both the east and west side of Middle Rd., NHEC has 2 separate taps that service the road. The 6/86 % A, B, C tap (read as, six over eighty six and one half a, b, c tap) serves the homes to the east of Middle Rd. and the 6/86 1/2A1, 2, 3 tap serves the home to the west Middle Rd.

I have included a map of the taps and the intersection of Middle Rd. to identify where the trees are located. I look forward to hearing back from the Planning Board when a Public Hearing has been scheduled and I look forward to answering any questions the Planning Board or Deerfield residents may have about the work along the scenic road where NHEC has lines. Please let me know if the Planning Board would like me to be present at a site visit before the public hearing.

Thank you for your help with this hearing, I'm sure that the work NHEC does trimming trees along this circuit will greatly improve the reliability of the electric service to our members in Deerfield.

Respectfully,

Scott R. Carlson

NHEC Utility Forester Coordinator

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# Candia Rd., Deerfield, NH

# Scenic Road Tree Removal Inventory

Pole#	Diameter/Species	Reason for Removal Request
6/86 ½ A1	(2) 8" poplars	Trees lean at the conductor
	8" Elm, 8" poplar	Both are dead
6/86 ½ A3	24" Hemlock	Tree with 3 stems is dead
6/86 ½ A	5" Red Oak	There will be nothing left after we trim
	6"Beech	There will be nothing left after we trim
	5" Black Birch	There will be nothing left after we trim
	(3) 5" White Birch	There will be nothing left after we trim
6/86 ½ B	(2) 5" Red Maple	There will be nothing left after we trim
	13" Red Oak	Stem has decay. High probability of failure
	8" Red Maple	Nothing left after we trim and has bad structure
6/86 ½ C	5" Grey Birch	There will be nothing left after we trim
6/86 ½ D	16" Red Oak	Tree is dead
6/86 ½ E	6" Red Maple	There will be nothing left after we trim
	5" Beech	Has beech bark disease, will be trimmed heavily
	8" Hemlock	Crack in base of stem and will be trimmed heavily
6/86 ½ F	26" Hemlock	Tree is dead. Half has already been removed
6/86 ½ G	20" Red Maple	Tree has crown die back and decay 8' up stem
	7" Yellow Birch	There will be nothing left after we trim
6/86 ½ I	20" Hemlock	Tree is dead
6/86 ½ J	24" Hemlock	Tree is dead

