

**THE PLANNING BOARD
TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

July 1, 2014

APPROVED MINUTES

Planning Board Members Present: L. Kunhardt, L. Ames, A. Arnold, S. Pyle, B. Lindgren, L. Bourbeau and P. Tolman, Alternates present L. Wilsher, H. Camirand and B. McNeil

Others Present: Dave Crane from PSNH, Dave Burleigh from Asplunh, M. & A. Ruzicka (abutters), B. Hardwick, N. Wilder and S. & B. Carbee

Scenic Road Public Hearing

The continued public hearing on an application from PSNH for tree cutting on a scenic road (continued from June 17th) was brought to order at 6:35 p.m. in the post office parking lot.

Attendees of the meeting walked along 2nd NH Turnpike and discussed a number of tagged trees that had been tagged for removal but that some of members of the board and property owners felt did not need to be taken down. They also identified trees that were not originally tagged that needed to come down. Dave Crane of PSNH authorized all proposed changes to the plan for tree removal.

The public hearing was recessed to the Town Offices at 7:55 p.m.

The hearing was reconvened at 8:10 p.m. at the Town Office. Others present when the meeting resumed: L. Laber, J. and S. Ludwig, B. Behrsing, and P. Freese

S. Pyle gave a brief synopsis of the on-site discussion: there were eight to ten trees identified that will not be taken down as originally planned and there are three large trees on the right side of the road heading south, not originally flagged, that will be taken down.

H. Camirand made a motion to approve PSNH cutting plan along 2nd NH Turnpike as amended by the remarking of specific trees. Seconded by Arnold. The motion passed (6-1): Lindgren opposed

Announcements and Communications

S. Pyle said she had an updated budget spreadsheet showing the Planning Board expenditures are well within the budget.

Review of Minutes:

H. Camirand made a motion to accept the minutes of 6/17/14 as written. Seconded by L. Kunhardt. The motion passed unanimously, A. Arnold & L. Bourbeau abstained.

Conservation Plan continuation

The Board discussed the adoption of the Conservation Plan into the Town's Master Plan. In order to do so, a public hearing is required

H. Camirand made a motion to adopt the Conservation Plan as a reference manual and to take it to public hearing to be adopted as part of the Master Plan – either as a section of the Plan or by reference. Seconded by S. Pyle. The motioned passed unanimously.

S. Pyle will schedule a public hearing.

Sign Ordinance continuation

The Board briefly discussed the new version of the sign ordinance that was emailed and decided, given the late hour, to continue this matter to a future meeting.

Next meeting to be held July 15th at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Wendy Brien-Baker