

**Lyme Planning Board Minutes
February/12/2015**

Board Members and Staff Present: John Stadler, Chair; C Jay Smith, Select Board Representative; Vicki Smith, Member; Tim Cook, Member; Eric Furstenberg, Alternate; David Robbins, Planning and Zoning Administrator

Board Members Absent: Freda Swan, Alternate;

Members of the Public Present: David Crane, Matt Brown

John asked Eric to sit as a full member due to a vacated position on the Board.

Item 1: Public Hearing under RSA 231:158 to discuss tree trimming by PSNH (now Eversource Energy) along River Rd north of the East Thetford Road, Breck Hill Road, Acorn Hill Road and Washburn Hill Road. Portions of these roads have been designated as scenic and require Planning Board approval before any tree trimming may occur by a utility.

John opened the hearing at 7:00pm.
There were no members of the public present.

David Crane gave the Board an overview of the intended cutting. There were three trees that would be removed and the trees near the lines would be pruned. David stated that the pruning would cut back enough to prevent the trees growing into the lines over the next four years. Therefore the lines would be trimmed again.

Vicki moved to approve the trimming with the condition that if a dispute between the Power Company and a land owner occurred over what is to be trimmed occurred, the Planning Board would act as an arbiter.

Tim seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

John closed the hearing.

Matt Brown arrived late for the hearing but was interested in what the Board had decided. Vicki explained what would be trimmed and the condition for resolving a dispute.

Item 2: Acceptance of minutes from January/22/2015

John Felt it was important that the minutes covering the meeting with the Pinnacle Project be more comprehensive for two reasons.

First, Pinnacles lawyer had state she would convey the Board thoughts to the ZBA. The Board said she was free to convey her sense of things, but the Board would make a record of its own and consider conveying it to the ZBA.

Secondly, the Board had stated that because of the complexity and significance of the case, it would do its best to make its thoughts and reasoning as clear as possible throughout the record.

Pinnacles lawyer raised no objection to either of these points.
The Board read John's summary to see if they wanted to use it.

Vicki moved after some edits, to approve the minutes with the edited summary replacing the relevant section of the draft version.

Vicki made a motion to send a copy of the minutes to the Zoning Board of Adjustment and to the Pinnacle Project.

Tim seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

Respectfully Submitted
David A. Robbins
Lyme Planning and Zoning Administrator.