

**TOWN OF LYNDEBOROUGH
PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 17, 2013**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Mike Decubellis, Vice Chair Bill Ball, Bob Rogers, Tom Christenton, Bret Mader, Larry Larouche, Selectmen's Representative Arnie Byam and Alternates Julie Zebuhr

M. Decubellis began the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING:

Scott & Kimberly Snow; 233 Old Temple Road; Map 230-016; Excavation project; RL 1

No one was present for this hearing. Vice Chair Bill Ball said that this was the second meeting where Mr. Snow was not present and no additional information has been received. If Mr. Snow wants to pursue this project, the site plan review process will need to start over, at that time. The Board agreed that this application should be tabled without any further action.

INFORMATION:

Karen Baker, NRPC, to discuss Piscataquoq Watershed Impervious Surface Mapping Project

Present: Ryan Friedman

Mr. Friedman distributed copies of the Piscataquoq Watershed Impervious Surface mapping project and a fact sheet to the Board for their review. This is a project undertaken by the Southern NH Planning Commission through a Water Quality Control grant from NHDES with funds from the EPA Clear Water Act. The purpose of this mapping project is to help towns by raising awareness of problems with storm water runoff and its impact on the quality of the watershed. It will aid, beneficially, in higher water quality and a healthier ecosystem for wildlife and fish population, as well as for people.

He explained that impervious surfaces are areas covered by any non-porous material that prevents the infiltration of water into the ground, i.e. buildings, roof tops, compacted earth, paved driveways and roads. These surfaces, when there's rainfall or melting snow, increase the volume and rate of runoff which travels over land surfaces collecting pollutants (fertilizers, pesticides) and other trash (sand, sediments and pet waste) transporting them into storm drains and eventually into waterways. The watershed has a total of 5,379 acres of impervious surfaces; this is 3.9% of the total land area and Lyndeborough has about 48 acres or about 1% of the total impervious surface area.

Mr. Friedman stated that the UNH Complex Systems Research Center has developed software that can produce aerial imagery and detect impervious surfaces; GIS Shafefiles of the maps are also available upon request to SNHPC.

He said that he's traveling to other towns in the watershed to discuss this project and to have the Boards acknowledge that they have received this data for their review. He asked that a copy of the minutes be sent to him at NRPC.

Joseph Caulfield; 126 Perham Corner Rd.; Map 250-016; proposed subdivision; RL1

Present: Joseph Caulfield

Mr. Caulfield told the Board that he has not had any communication with Richard Maynard, the land surveyor, concerning his proposed subdivision application; therefore he asked to cancel the discussion at this meeting until he can discuss this issue with Mr. Maynard. No future meeting was scheduled at this time.

Wind Ordinance

Mike Decubellis asked the Board if they had reviewed the information from the link he sent concerning the wind ordinance issues in the Towns of Temple and New Ipswich. He wondered if it was necessary to have an ordinance when the State already regulates wind towers above 30 mw. T. Chrisenton stated that the State also regulates sound concerns over 50 decibels. M. Decubellis said that he briefly reviewed the state regulations and noted that they are not as lengthy as the wind ordinance adopted by the towns of Temple and New Ipswich. He noticed that the state regulations address the type and size of facility, provision for a first and second location choice and a study and solution for environmental problems. It does not address setbacks and height restrictions.

T. Chrisenton stated that it does have a height restriction from a boundary line for the possibility of a toppling over of a tower. B. Ball thought there should be some type of regulation to cover smaller windmills (less than 30 mws) that individual landowners might consider erecting on their property. Some of the Board agreed that they should look at setbacks, noise, height restrictions, etc. After briefly discussing some of the pros and cons, M. Decubellis asked the Board to investigate some of the surrounding town ordinances for more discussion at the next meeting.

Septage and Biosolid regulations

Arnie Byam and the Board briefly discussed whether or not there should be a town regulation on the subject of biosolids from treated septage being used by the town or residents of the town. This subject was discussed at a recent Board of Selectmen's meeting prior to renewing a contract with the Town of Merrimack for removal of town septage in exchange for the transport of biosolids (compost from treated septage) back

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into Lyndeborough. The Board asked to see a copy of the contract before continuing with this discussion.

MINUTES:

Review of minutes for November 15, December 6 and December 20, 2012

B. Rogers made a **motion to accept the minutes of Nov. 15, Dec. 6, and Dec. 20, 2012, as written.** B. Ball seconded the motion. The vote in favor of acceptance was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

B. Rogers made a **motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m.** T. Chrisenton seconded the motion and the vote in favor of adjournment was unanimous.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 21st at 7:30 p.m.

Pauline Ball
Clerk

Approved by the Planning Board on February 21, 2013