

**MINUTES  
NEW DURHAM PLANNING BOARD  
20 JANUARY 2015**

Acting Chair Drummey called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

**Roll Call:** Bob Craycraft (Chair), Scott Drummey (Vice Chair), Dot Veisel, Paul Raslavicus, Terry Chabot (Alternate), Recording Secretary Amy Smith.

**Excused:** David Swenson (Selectmen's Representative)

**Others Present:** Greg Anthes, David Bickford

Acting Chair Drummey noted Alternate Terry Chabot could not be designated to sit in as a voting member as Mr. Swenson is the Selectmen's Representative.

**Public Input:** Mr. Bickford passed out proposed House Bill 286. This Bill would prohibit a Building Inspector from issuing building permits that conflict with deed restrictions. Acting Chair Drummey suggested the Board discuss this after the other agenda items have been completed. Board members agreed.

**Review of Minutes**

Board members reviewed the minutes of 6 January 2015. Ms. Smith noted she found a typo on page 1, first full paragraph, last sentence. The word 'were' should be corrected to 'where'. **Mr. Craycraft made a motion to approve the minutes of 6 January 2015 as amended. Ms. Veisel seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**Review of Mail**

Board members reviewed the mail.

**Language for Voter Guide re: Article 2**

Acting Chair Drummey stated at the 6 January 2015 meeting Mr. Swenson asked Board members to review the language pertaining to Article 2 for the Voter Guide for discussion at tonight's meeting. Ms. Veisel stated she checked the references contained in the draft and they are accurate. Acting Chair Drummey stated he thinks the wording is satisfactory. Board members agreed. Ms. Smith stated she would send an e-mail to the Town Administrator stating the Planning Board is in agreement that the proposed language in the Voter Guide, pertaining to Article 2, is satisfactory.

**Filing Period for Elected Officials**

Acting Chair Drummey informed Board members and the viewing public that the filing period for elected officials is from 21 January 2015 until 30 January 2015.

**Proposed House Bill 286**

Board members reviewed the proposed Bill submitted by Mr. Bickford. Mr. Raslavicus stated he is concerned that requiring a Building Inspector to do deed research would be both time consuming and pose a liability to the Town if something should get missed in the chain of deeds. Acting Chair Drummey agreed and suggested limiting the research to the current deed. Brief discussion followed. Board members agreed they like the concept of the Bill but felt it should be limited to current deeds. Board members did not believe it is unreasonable for the Building Inspector to ask the applicant for a current deed and then review it for any deed restrictions prior to issuance of a permit. Board members authorized Acting Chair Drummey to draft a letter to the House Executive Departments and Administration stating the New Durham Planning Board supports House Bill 286 with an amendment that limits the scope of the deed research to current deeds.

**At 8:07 pm Mr. Craycraft made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Veisel seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Smith  
Recording Secretary