

Nottingham Planning Board
February 26th, 2014

These minutes were approved on 3/19/2014

Members Present: Arthur Stockus, Chair; Troy Osgood, Vice Chair; Susan Mooney, Secretary; Eduard Viel; Dirk Grotenhuis; Hal Rafter, Board of Selectman Representative; Gary Anderson, Alternate; Robert “Buzz” Davies, Alternate

Members Absent: John Morin; Paul Colby, Building Inspector;

Others Present: JoAnna Arendarczyk, Land Use Clerk

Call to Order at 7:00

Mr. Anderson will be seated and voting for Mr. Morin.

Mr. Davies arrived at 7:05 and will be participating but not voting

Public Meeting/ Hearings

New Business/ Old Business

Pick Next Topic from Jack Mettee’s list

The Board members discussed each item in detail. The board decided the order they want Mr. Mettee to work on each item:

1. Amend the Zoning Ordinance (ZO) to include a standard for maximum lot disturbance in the Residential-Agricultural District. (putting something in regarding replacing disturbed vegetation)
2. Amend the subdivision and site plan review regulations to include a statement to consider protection of scenic road qualities.
3. Amend the Zoning Ordinance through a Steep Slope Ordinance to provide for greater protection of scenic quality from the impact of development.³

Discuss Open Space Development

Mr. Chairman stated that at the last meeting (February 12, 2014) it was decided to review the materials previously received from Mr. Mettee and revisit the topic at this meeting.

The members discussed the language in the material from Mr. Mettee and the possibility of providing incentives, exemptions and/or guidelines. The public’s input from the Public Hearing was also discussed further as well as the Selectman’s vote to refrain from putting Mandatory on the ballot.

Mr. Davies also added that the Fire and Police Departments discourage cul-de-sacs which were the only way to build an OSD in a couple recent cases.

After the discussion Mr. Chairman stated that most of the members wish to leave the Ordinance the way it is but possibly add some guidelines to keep the development in line with what the citizens would accept, through Subdivision Regulations.

He requested a vote from the Board due to eliminating proposals from Mr. Mettee on the Zoning Ordinance to make it official that the Board is addressing the issue in Subdivision Regulations.

Motion: Mr. Anderson made a motion to leave the Open Space Development Ordinance as is and to review the Subdivision Regulations for guidelines in the Open Space Development area.

Second: Mr. Osgood

Vote: 7-0 motion passed

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Selectman's Report

Mr. Rafter stated that he is not running for office this term. He complimented the Board members for working together. For business, Mr. Rafter stated that the Board of Selectman have received answers from Rymes' Propane engineer to the Fire Chief's questions. The Board of Selectman are working with the Recycling Center Committee. The annual stickers, orange in color for this year, are free and available at the Town Office. They are planning to have them available at the Recycling Center at some point as well. Proof of residence is required to get the sticker. Mr. Rafter also stated that there will be a warrant article to raise \$25,000 to clean up the Marston property (old Lee Farm) owned by the town.

Recycling Committee Update

Mr. Anderson stated that the changes at the Recycling Center are the first step toward many improvements. He would like to see the center be more user friendly.

Mr. Viel stated that the Public Hearing brought forth many helpful points to consider in the future.

Conservation Commission

Mrs. Mooney spoke about a meeting that took place on February 24th 2014 with Mark West, a Wild Life Specialist and a developer in town. There was a Farm Bill that passed a few weeks ago. 60-90days are needed to write protocols for an application for the developer to put in for a NRCS Grant.

Minutes

February 12, 2014 minutes

Motion: A motion was made by Mrs. Mooney to accept the minutes as amended.

Second: Made by Osgood

Vote: 5-0-2 motion passed

Chair--- meetings

Adjournment

Motion: A motion was made by Mr. Viel

Second: Made by Osgood

Vote: 7-0 motion passed

8:06

Respectfully Submitted,
JoAnna Arendarczyk
Land Use Clerk