

**Town of Otisfield  
Ordinance Committee Minutes  
February 12, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm. The following members were in attendance—Beth Damon, Maureen Purdy, Tanya Taft and Eric Bell. Lenny Adler will be here later. The minutes from January 8, 2009 were read and approved with minor corrections—meeting date (2000 s.b. 2009), bid policy (\$500 s.b. \$5000).

Eric brought ordinances from Auburn and Tanya also had Bridgton's ordinance which had more specific time periods. It is still very difficult to get results. If taken to court the Town must provide an attorney. We decided that we could keep our existing ordinance and just add a definition of prolonged or repetitive barking to our definitions instead of changing the Animal Control Ordinance.

We received information from our CEO Rich St. John, and from the Planning Board that we will need to redo our Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. There is also a new Flood Plain Management Ordinance from the Federal Government. There will be new definitions to include in our Definitions Document. We will definitely be redoing Shoreland Zoning. The Flood Plain Management Ordinance, as a Federal document, should not be changed.

Driveway Ordinance? The Town of Turner's wording is very good and specifies a 3% grade. We should add it to our existing Building Ordinance.

Regarding Wind Towers – Bridgeton is simply adding a Wind Tower section to their existing TeleCommunications Ordinance. We should look it up for next meeting.

Lenny arrived and Beth filled him in on what had been discussed. Lenny mentioned that Marianne wants a policy that the Fire Chief and CEO **do not** do chimney inspections.

After discussion regarding smoking at the Town Beach there were two proposals. Recommend smoking allowed in a designated area (specifically an area on the beach for smoking) 1 For, 4 Against. Moved to provide a designated area in the parking area – 4 For, 1 Against. We need to add “except for emergency and maintenance vehicles” to item 8 on the existing Beach Control Ordinance.

Our next meeting will be March 12, 2009 – the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Maureen Purdy, Secretary  
Otisfield Ordinance Committee