

# **Haverhill Planning Board Minutes Sept. 27, 2016**

## **Draft Subject to Review, Correction, and Approval at Following Meeting**

### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Chairman Don Hammond

Planning Board members present:

Don Hammond

Mike Bonnano

Mike Simpson

Howard Hatch

Tara Krause joined the meeting at 7:10

Clerk Ed Ballam was present.

There were no members of the public.

### **2. Designation of Alternates**

No alternates to designate

### **3. Agenda Approval**

Mike S. made a motion to approve the agenda. Mike B. seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote with no changes.

### **4. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the Aug 30, 2016, meeting were approved on a motion made by Mike B, and Mike S. seconded the motion. The vote was three to one abstention, Howard H., who said he read the minutes a month ago and didn't have time to re-read them. He said there didn't think there were any issues.

### **5. Scheduled Public Appearances previously scheduled.**

Don H. opened the second public hearing on the proposed subdivision regulation amendments at 7:05 pm. Ed B. said the meeting was advertised in the Bridge Weekly and posted. There was one remaining issue regarding private roads. He said he had drafted the proposed change to the ordinance and sent it to the board members with the minutes. Mike S. wanted to confirm that the 50 trips threshold that would require an on-site road inspector came from a chart in the subdivision regulations. Don H. said it was and said there was a formula in the subdivision regulations. Mike B. said it was found on Page 24, article 1. The board said they were fine with the verbiage as presented.

Mike B. made a motion to close the public hearing which was seconded by Mike S. the motion to close the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

Tara K. arrived just as the unanimous vote was be taken. Don H. asked that Tara be allowed to review and comment on the private road verbiage. Tara K. looked at the private road wording and said it looked good to her.

Don H. said the only thing left to do is to vote on whether to approve all the changes. Ed B. said that action is listed under pending business, but if the board wanted to take it out of order and vote on all the changes, that would be appropriate.

Mike S. made a motion to take the "pending business" portion out of order with the objective as approving the regulations in total. Mike B. seconded the motion. The vote to take the pending business out of order as listed on the agenda passed unanimously.

Don H. asked if any of the board members thought there was anything else that needed to be changed, or have any further discussion about the proposed changes. Mike S. said he appreciated the work Ed B. did on synopsising the changes for the board. He said it was helpful.

Hearing no objections, Don H. asked for a motion on the subdivision regulations. Mike S. made a motion to approval all the subdivision regulations as amended. The motion was seconded by Mike B. The vote was unanimous.

After the vote was taken, Ed B. said he would take all the highlight out of the document, format it correctly and have it ready for Don H. to sign. The signature will have to be notarized by the Town Clerk. Don H. asked if the selectboard has to approve it. Ed B. said they did not have to approve the changes, but recommended they be given a copy of the changes and made aware as a courtesy. He said Mike B., who is the board's representative to the selectboard would likely be the person to make that announcement.

## **6. Correspondence/Communications**

Ed B. said he had one item of correspondence, a zoning permit application from Mountain Lakes, something he had never seen before. Mike B. said he didn't know how it got in with the Haverhill Planning Board material. He said it doesn't belong with HPB as it is strictly a Mountain Lakes issue. Ed B. said the cover letter was addressed to the Haverhill Planning Board. Mike B. said the application had already been considered and approved by Mountain Lakes and he has no idea why it was sent to the HPB. Don H. said in all the years he has been on the board, he never saw one. Ed B. said he only put it on the agenda to makes sure it didn't need any HPB action. It was decided the board didn't need to take action and it was simply misdirected. Mike B. said he would double check with Mountain Lakes. No other action was taken.

Ed B. also made the board aware of a notice that personal wireless transmitting towers were being erected in Plymouth. He explained the board was receiving the notice because the towers, or the view shed of the towers has a regional impact and the applicant is required to notify all those who might potentially be effected by the project. Ed B. said this particular tower was going to be erected at 583 Tenney Mountain Highway in Plymouth. Howard H. said it was brought up at the selectboard meeting. Ed B. agreed and said it also was noticed to the planning board. Don H. said there is a new tower located down by the Interstate, but he said he thinks 583 is further east on Tenney Mountain Highway.

Tara K. asked if there was any particular carrier mentioned on the application. Ed B. said there was not. He said it was probably like the one erected in Haverhill which was permitted as a monopole with no carrier.

Howard H. said the corridor between Haverhill and Plymouth is one of the worst areas around for cell phone coverage. Don H. mentioned there was spotty coverage in different sections. Ed B. mentioned that the Oliverian and Beckett School complexes have boosters that provide some cell coverage in that area.

## **7. Reports of Committees**

None

## **8. Pending Business**

Was handled above after the public hearing.

## **9. New Business (Applications)**

None

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## **10. Other New Business**

None

## **11. Public Appearances (Not Previously Scheduled)**

None

## **12. Comments of the Clerk**

Ed B. said the only comment he had was about the selectboard's thoughts on the board's decision regarding zoning. He suggested that Mike B. would be more appropriate to speak about that.

## **13. Comments of the Planning Board**

Howard H. said the selectboard members who seemed to favor zoning and who were upset by the board's decision not to pursue zoning are from Woodsville. Howard H. said Mountain Lakes and Haverhill Corner already have zoning. Don H. mentioned that North Haverhill doesn't have zoning.

Howard H. said the push is to get zoning in Woodsville which seems to have the bigger problem with multi-family buildings. Don H. commented that Woodsville, like some of the other precincts, could vote to have its own zoning. Don H. asked how Haverhill Corner's works. Ed B. says it does regulate what people can and cannot do with their properties. Don H. asked if it got down into building codes where the zoning board could dictate that kind of regulations. Ed B. said it doesn't go that far.

Don H. said people from other states have an idea that zoning means you can't change electrical outlets or plumbing. Tara K. said New Hampshire has state regulations about that kind of stuff. \\\

Mike B. said he didn't think anyone on the selectboard was truly upset the planning board didn't take up the zoning assignment. He said one or two were put out because they didn't realize it was up to the planning board. He said some of the members thought the Planning Board answers to the selectboard, but in the case of zoning, it's not that way.

Also under discussion of comments of the board members, Mike B. asked if members had copies of the master plan. The board members said they did not. Don H. said it's a huge document. Ed B. said he hopes it is in a digital form. Mike B. said it's time the board start reviewing the master plan now that it has completed the subdivision regulations.

Tara K. asked if the master plan was under the planning board's purview. Mike B. said yes, under state RSAs. There was discussion that the board is supposed to review and revise the master plan every 10 years. Don H. said he recalls last time the master plan was reviewed, various groups, boards and commissions were asked to make report and cover their sections of the bigger plan. Mike B. asked Ed B. to come up with copies for the board. Ed B. said he would and if it was electronic, he would try to get it to the board sooner than next meeting. Don H. said it was at least 150 pages.

Mike S. left the meeting at 7:25 p.m. saying he had a prior commitment and anticipated the meeting being short.

Don H. said the last time he was involved in the master plan, there were 25 to 30 people in the gym going over topics and information night, after night after night. He said residents broke into smaller groups to work on different parts of the master plan and then report to the larger group explaining what the small group had come up with. Don H. said about half of the people on the last master plan committee are either dead or have moved away.

**14. Other**

None

**15. Adjournment/Next Regular Meeting**

Don H. asked for a motion to adjourn which was offered by Mike B. and seconded by Tara K. The vote was unanimous. The meeting concluded at 7:30 p.m.

The next meeting scheduled meeting is Nov. 22, 2016 (NOTE THERE ARE FIVE TUESDAY IN NOV).

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Ballam, Planning Board Clerk