

Town of Randolph

Planning Board Minutes

March 7, 2019

Members Present: John Turner, Roberta Arbree, John Scarinza, Robert Ross, and Arlene Eisenberg

Members Excused: None

Public: None

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by John Scarinza.

Minutes of February 7, 2019 – On a motion from John Turner with a second from Robert Ross, members voted to accept the minutes as presented.

Old Business:

Master Plan

The Board discussed the revisions to the Master Plan. Arlene Eisenberg suggested that when the word summer it used, it should be “non-snow months” or “snow-free months”. On page 14, Eisenberg questioned the construction business listed on Route 2. Roberta Arbree mentioned that the word “little” should be removed from the sentence concerning community development. Eisenberg requested that summer be taken out of the sentence concerning hikers on page 16, as hiking is a year-round activity. On page 17, concerning future development occurring along a narrow corridor along Route 2, John Scarinza offered to rework the paragraph. Route 2 is a limited access highway and development is more likely to occur along Durand Road. Eisenberg pointed out on page 19, in the features listed which contribute to the town’s character, she felt that snowmobiling should be removed. John Scarinza suggested that outdoor recreation be used in place of the list to cover all activities. Scarinza advised that Tara Bamford will be back mid-March and he is hoping to have a draft ready in April.

Planning Board Description

John Scarinza advised that Linda has made a few changes to the description on the website. The Board’s responsibility of overseeing the Forest Commission still needs to be added.

Board Vacancy

Nobody has filled the vacancy on the Board that will be left when Arlene Eisenberg leaves. The Board thanked Arlene for her years of service, as she began on the Board in 1986. John Turner will check with Bill Demers to see if he may be interested.

New Business:

Elliot Brook Spring

Robert Ross asked about the spring at the origin of what he believes to be Elliot Brook. Ross stated it is an important feature of the town and is the largest spring in the county. The water only deviates by two degrees between summer and winter, from 47 degrees in the warmer months, to 45 in the cold. The spring used to provide water to several houses, and still does for some. The Board looked at the tax maps to find the spring, and it is located on Map U5, Lot 6, which is owned by the Randolph Foundation. John Scarinza suggested that when the work on Durand Road is done, that sleeves be added for the water lines that run underneath the road so that repairs can be done easily in the future if the lines fail.

ATV Article in Yankee Magazine

John Turner shared with the Board that there was an in-depth article on ATV use in New Hampshire and the associated issues in Yankee Magazine.

Photos

John Turner mentioned to the Board that he was looking for a third photo of the ice storm taken by Larry Martin to hang in the meeting room. Robert Ross was going to check to see if he had one. Roberta Arbree also suggested that an art show of just images of Broadacres Farm be considered.

Adjournment: On a motion Roberta Arbree, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelli A. Fortin

March 8, 2019