

Town of Randolph

Planning Board Minutes

October 6, 2022

Members Present: John Scarinza, Robert Ross, and Kevin Rousseau

Members Excused: Tim Mather, and John Turner

Public Present: None

Subdivisions

John Scarinza advised that Burke York will be coming to a meeting in the next couple months with two subdivisions, but was unable to attend tonight's meeting due to another commitment.

Forest Commission Nomination

John Scarinza advised that alternate members to the Forest Commission are appointed by the Planning Board, Nate Reid has shown interest in being an alternate member, and the Forest Commission has voted to bring his name forward.

On a motion by Robert Ross, seconded by Kevin Rousseau, the Board voted unanimously to approve the nomination of Nate Reid as an alternate member of the Forest Commission.

Proposed Junkyard Ordinance

John Scarinza advised that the Selectboard forwarded information to them about considering a junkyard ordinance. They have received a complaint about a property in town. Scarinza advised that there is already a mechanism in place for towns to create a permit system for junkyards, which does not go through the Planning Board. Scarinza also advised that Randolph's Zoning Ordinance lists allowed uses in the town, and junkyards are not on the list, so it could be inferred that they are not allowed. Scarinza advised he did make a call to Tara Bamford to get her thoughts, but she is on vacation. Scarinza advised that it will take some research, and he will bring more information to the Board at the November meeting, after he has a chance to speak with Bamford.

Dog Ordinance

John Scarinza advised they Board that they may want to look at the number of dogs that are allowed on a property. Scarinza noted that a couple properties in Jefferson have many dogs, and this may be something for the Board to look at before it becomes an issue in Randolph.

Wildlife Crossing

John Scarinza advised that an informational meeting was held recently about a wildlife crossing proposed by Brad Meiklejohn. The crossing would be located near Bowman. Although NHDOT supports the idea of the crossing, they will not fund or maintain it. The maintenance would fall on the private landowner, or the Town. The Board noted that animals do not cross in just one place on Route 2, and many accidents with moose have been reported on Gorham Hill/Hodgdon Hill. A fence would need to be constructed along Route 2 to force the animals to cross in one place. Mr. Meiklejohn and the planner have been asked to meet again with NHDOT to discuss concerns that have been raised.

Cote Subdivision

John Scarinza advised Kevin Rousseau that the road is nearly complete. Rousseau will go to take a look before the Cote's request the town to accept it, to be sure it meets regulations.

Adjournment

On a motion by Kevin Rousseau, seconded by Robert Ross, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelli Fortin
October 7, 2022