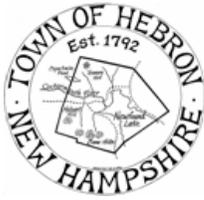


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Hebron Planning Board Minutes of Meeting 6/1/2016

Planning Board Members Present: Roger Larochelle (Chair), Chuck Beno (Member), Mitch Manseau (Member), Ivan Quinchia (Alternate), Dan Merritt (Alternate), John Dunklee (Select Board Representative)

Planning Board Members Absent: Karl Braconier (Member), Arthur Cummings (Alternate)

Others Present: Bea S. Hebert (Arborist from Eversource), Barbara Spike (Secretary)

Time Convened: 7:04 p.m. **Time Adjourned:** 7:36 p.m.

Next Meeting: July 6, 2016

Agenda:

- 1) Approval of April 6, 2016 minutes
- 2) George Road Scenic Road Public Hearing
- 3) Driveway Permit Indian Point
- 4) Status of Secretary
- 5) Administrative Matters and Announcements

Chair Roger Larochelle called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and thanked all the Board members for attending. He then expressed his gratitude to secretary Barbara Spike for her service to the Planning Board and the Town of Hebron.

Chair Roger Larochelle appointed Ivan Quinchia as a voting Member for this meeting. Chair Roger then asked for a motion to accept the April 6 minutes. Ivan Quinchia moved to accept the minutes, and John Dunklee seconded the motion. Chair Roger asked for any corrections or comments; hearing none he asked for a vote. The minutes were approved as submitted at 7:08 p.m.

Chair Roger invited Bea Hebert from Eversource to join the Board at the table for this Public Hearing. Chair Roger asked if anyone needed a copy of her February letter regarding the trimming/cutting down of trees on George Road. All had read it. This occurs every four years as part of a maintenance cycle to prevent damage to the wires and roads. Bea said that Eversource will not trim or cut down any trees without the

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permission of the landowners. The trees in this discussion are all dead, dying, or diseased. There was brief discussion of ash borers and Ash Yellow, a disease that is impairing ash trees throughout the region.

Chair Roger said the Planning Board held a Public Hearing and did a site walk four years ago. Bea presented the Board with a list of the seven (7) trees in question and their respective locations based on addresses and pole numbers that are in consideration to be trimmed or taken down. Chair Roger wanted to make sure these trees would be flagged. Bea said the wood they cut was left for the landowners, as the trees belong to them.

Chair Roger asked Bea if she needed a letter from the Planning Board regarding this issue. Bea answered that a copy of the minutes showing that the Planning Board is in agreement would suffice. Chair Roger said the Board is considering an approval of the trimming and cutting of the specific trees on the list provided by Eversource. The list will be appended to these minutes. If the customer asks Eversource to take down more trees, John Dunklee said there is no need for Eversource to come back to the Planning Board. The landowner owns the trees.

Mitch Manseau made a motion to approve the trimming and cutting of trees on George Road, a scenic road, by Eversource. Chuck Beno seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously at 7:22 p.m.

John Dunklee then asked Bea if she could take a look at a tree on Crystal Springs Road where the eastern side was eaten away and it was in serious need of being taken down, the tree being almost in the road. Bea said she would look at it.

Chair Roger reported on an approved driveway permit for Michael Halloran on Indian Point Road. The design is engineered by North Point, and it conforms to the Board's driveway regulations. The driveway is perpendicular to the road with a 12% grade, with a four-car parking area. John Dunklee asked if a fire truck could gain access. Chair Roger showed the plan to the Board and said that Ethier was working on the drainage, as there is a swale nearby.

Chair Roger said that with Barbara Spike's announcement of her retirement, we will be searching for another secretary and would welcome any leads.

Chair Roger said that Alan Barnard has an as-build for the Ledges Condos that he would like to review with the Board. There is also a merger of lots being submitted that needs to be completed by the Select Board. These two items will be on the agenda for the next Planning Board meeting on July 6.

Chair Roger asked John Dunklee what status of Compliance Officer Al DeFao was, now that he's not in Bristol. John Dunklee believed Al was still working for Hebron.

With nothing further for discussion, **motion to adjourn was made by Chuck Beno,, seconded by Mitch Manseau. All in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted: Barbara A. Spike, Secretary

