

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE PLANNING BOARD

SEPTEMBER 19, 2012
FINAL MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Board members present: Randy Martin, Camilla Lockwood, Allan Pickman, John Kieley, and Rose Lowry

Call to order by Lowry at 7:33 p.m.

Approval of minutes: Move by Kieley to approve the minutes of 9/5/12 as amended, second by Lockwood, and so voted unanimously.

Letter from DES: Brief discussion about a DES inquiry regarding consideration of public water/wellhead protection area zoning. Lowry will draft a letter of response.

New Ipswich subdivision: Kieley indicated he had emailed Liz Freeman regarding the proposed 48-lot development on Stowell Road but had not yet received a response, and he will follow-up on this. Lowry suggested Kieley contact the town planner. Lowry said she had contacted New Ipswich to inquire about the status of the Pioneer Green wind energy project, and was told the town had heard nothing since March. Brief mention of potential change in prospects of future large wind development in southern New Hampshire.

LGC Law Lecture Series: Reference to upcoming lectures with topics relating to Planning Board issues. Lockwood said she had attended the first one and found it well attended and very helpful. One or more PB members plan to attend the third lecture on September 26th.

Road development: Kieley brought up recent home burglaries in Temple and offered a scenario of "what-if" Stowell Road/Moran Road should be opened up. Kieley said he felt it could become a convenient egress for those engaged in illegal activities, serving as a "quick exit" from town. Pickman told of previous attempts to develop land in that area, and indicated it was never determined if one town could legally force a neighboring town to upgrade a road. The existing road area in that part of Temple was described as currently being "a beaver pond".

Community Planning Grant: The board discussed how to present information and engage in discussion at the upcoming Harvest Festival. It was decided to set up a lawn sign board, place small posters in locations around town, man a table under the tent, create a large poster and banner to decorate the table area, have some historical Temple items on display (i.e. old ballot box), perhaps offer a raffle item, place modern emblems of mainstream development on display (i.e. bags from McDonald's, Wal-Mart, Dunkin Donuts), provide the town's Master Plan and land use regulation documents for reference, and feature copies of older maps of the town. A schedule of which members would be available at the PB table during the day was established.

Other business:

Kieley brought up a previous discussion about derelict houses in town. He told the board the Doyle house in the village is in the process of being sold. There was discussion about the old brick school, which Kieley said was attracting some interest recently even with its deteriorated condition.

Move to adjourn by Lockwood, second by Pickman, and so voted at 8:28 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Betsy Perry

Next scheduled meeting for October 3, 2012.