

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
PLANNING BOARD  
February 4, 2015  
FINAL MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Board members present: Camilla Lockwood, Tedd Petro, Mary Beth Ayvazian, Allan Pickman, and John Kieley

Call to order by Pickman at 7:34 p.m.

Approval of minutes: Motion by Kieley to approve the minutes of 01/28/15 as amended, second by Ayvazian, and so voted.

Zoning Amendments: Discussion was held to determine whether the board will mail out a flyer to explain their position on this year's zoning amendments. It was decided to send one out explaining the board's support of the agriculture amendment. Postage and printing rates and a timeline were discussed. A question was raised if town monies should be used for this purpose, or if personal funding is needed, and Pickman will check on this with town counsel. Kieley offered to write the first draft of the flyer.

Agriculture Committee: Discussion was held about the formation of a new committee to provide advice on agricultural issues. Several residents have already come forward and volunteered to be members. Pickman asked if this would be formulated as a town committee, to which the Board of Selectmen would appoint members. Kieley stated one benefit of this would be as a town committee the members would be covered by the town's liability insurance. It was decided to let the group choose how they wish to form, and then establish a list of members. Lockwood suggested one member from the Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission, and Planning Board should be on this new committee. Also, meeting notices would need to be posted and meeting minutes taken. A notice about the formation of the committee will be put on the town website, and Pickman will contact Lincoln Geiger help engage him in the organization process.

Pipeline: Ayvazian brought up the natural gas pipeline proposal that would run through southern New Hampshire and involve several neighboring communities. The board discussed how this might impact Temple, including aquifers, regional impact, blast zones, siting of a large compressor station, eminent domain, property values, and pollution. Ayvazian said surrounding towns are being proactive in gathering information and formulating opposition to the pipeline. She suggested the board contact pipeline activist Pat Martin from Rindge to come speak at a meeting, and it was decided to invite other town boards and the public to attend as well. Ayvazian will make contact with Martin, and also try to find out if a set of pipeline plans is available yet.

Motion by Lockwood to adjourn, second by Ayvazian, and so voted at 8:06 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Betsy Perry

~ Next meeting to be held on February 18, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. ~