

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD PLANNING BOARD
Planning Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 11th 2023
APPROVED

Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

Roll Call: Members, Alternates.

Mr. Straz present, Mr. Ingalls present, Mr. Ward present, Mr. Stratton present, Ms. McMenemy present, Mr. Goldberg present, Mr. Surette, and Mr. Zacher present.

Public Present:

Ed Comeau, Chris Kinville, and Frank Urro.

Appointment of Alternates

Mr. Straz asked either Mr. Goldberg or Mr. Surette to sit in as a voting member and Mr. Goldberg volunteered.

Public Comments

None

Announcements/Correspondence/Mail

None

Review and possible approval of minutes: November 20, 2023

Mr. Straz made the motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Ward seconded. (VOTE: 6-0-1)

Old Business

- Gravel Pit Inspections – Reclamation Plans
The Board reviewed RSA 155-E:5-a, which was presented to the Board by Mr. Comeau. There was discussion around contacting the pit owners for plans. Mr. Ingalls will write a letter ask for reclamation plans.
- Update of Subdivision Regulations
The Board reviewed updates and the final draft will be reviewed at the January meeting.
- Proposed Zoning Ordinances
Mr. Straz has been in contact with the Town Lawyer and was asked for the rationale behind the minimum lot size increase. The Board reasons are to maintain the rural character (based on 2018 survey results), allow for self-sufficiency (homesteading), and to align with neighboring towns and their residential/agricultural zoning. Mr. Straz will work with the Town Lawyer and present a final draft of the ordinances for the January meeting.

Member Comments

Mr. Zacher commented on the dates for the town meeting and the Board reviewed the Planning Board deadlines. Mr. Surette proposed a public dinner on a Saturday in January and asked about the Planning Board sponsoring it. Mr. Goldberg motioned to sponsor the dinner. Mr. Stratton seconded. (VOTE: 7-0-0)

Set next meeting date

The next meeting is January 8, 2024.

Adjournment.

Mr. Straz adjourned the meeting at 7:24 PM

Respectfully submitted for approval at the next Planning Board meeting,

Tim Straz - Chair

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Ed Ingalls - Vice Chair

Rich Zacher - Selectman Rep

Terry Ward

Kerry McMenemy

Gus Stratton

Marshall Goldberg - Alternate

Rick Surette - Alternate