

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE PLANNING BOARD

AUGUST 17, 2011
FINAL MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Board members present: Richard Whitcomb, Allan Pickman, Randy Martin, Mary Beth Ayvazian, Rose Lowry

Call to order by Pickman at 7:30 p.m.

Review of minutes: Motion by Ayvazian to accept the minutes of 7/13/11 as written, second by Whitcomb, and so voted.

Blood farm lot line re-adjustment: Heather White presented an application for a lot line adjustment between Map 2 Lot 80-1 owned by Donna Desmarais and Robert Caney, and Map 5 Lot 10 owned by Heather White. White explained the change would reverse a 2010 lot line adjustment involving the same two lots, and the 77 acres would now revert back as part of the original Blood farm. She said the request was to accommodate an impending sale of real estate involving the farm. White said there are no differences or changes, just reversion. The land involved has no frontage and has never been a separate lot. Board members reviewed the plat and compared it to the original lot line adjustment done in 2010. They agreed on a suggestion that the new lot line demarcation be more clearly indicated. There was brief discussion of the timeframe needed to send out abutter notification letters. Ayvazian moved to accept the application and meet again on August 31st at 7:30 p.m. to consider approval, seconded by Lowry, and voted in the unanimous affirmative. White will have the surveyor revise the plat.

Wind farm: Bev Edwards, a member of TEEC, said she had visited the Lempster wind farm, and she indicated the Lempster administrative assistant felt the overall wind farm experience for the town has been positive. Edwards provided observations, notes and data, including ongoing bird research near wind turbine installations. There was discussion about raptor migration and bird kill statistics. Other topics brought up included state involvement vs. town control, tax revenue, road improvements, and wildlife impact. Board members also discussed in general how to best move forward in exploring the Pioneer Green Energy proposal, as well as craft a large wind energy ordinance to protect the town. Some board members still wish to visit Lempster as well as hike Kidder Mountain. Also discussed was how to present this issue to the public. Lowry will draft information for the town newsletter as well as create a poster about exploring wind energy in Temple. Martin asked for a straw poll of how board members felt about wind turbines, with most expressing an interest in learning more but having some concerns about environmental and wildlife impact.

Bartolomeo plat: Pickman and Lowry signed the revised Bartolomeo Mylar, and Pickman will take it to HCRD next week to be recorded.

Village District survey: It was agreed to move forward with the survey in the month of September.

Move to adjourn by Ayvazian, second by Whitcomb, so voted at 8:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Betsy Perry