

# TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE PLANNING BOARD

OCTOBER 3, 2012  
FINAL MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Board members present: Camilla Lockwood, Randy Martin, Ken Sullivan, Allan Pickman, Rose Lowry, and Mary Beth Ayvazian

Call to order by Lowry at 7:37 p.m.

Approval of minutes: Move by Ayvazian to approve the minutes of 09/19/12 as amended, second by Lockwood, and so voted.

Community Planning Grant: Lowry referred to notes and information provided by Kieley after his attendance at the grantee meeting. Primary topics to consider include documentation of time and expenses, and how to stimulate community involvement with emphasis on outreach to underrepresented populations. Forms and instructions for CPG work were made available and will be kept by the Planning Board clerk. Kieley also provided a Temple-specific list of possible audiences to engage during this outreach process. It was noted that round two of CPG grants would begin in 2013, and Temple might want to consider applying for assistance for revision of the Master Plan. Pickman mentioned the need to consider requesting funds for this in the Planning Board town budget for the upcoming year.

The survey forms have been collected and are ready to go to Lisa Murphy at SWRPC. A quick review of results indicated a majority of respondents most value Temple's small town character and its people, and would prefer the status quo over any major changes.

Plans were made for the public forum to be held on Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. Lowry urged board members to review the "Temple-ized" list and consider how to reach the most number of people in a short span of time before the forum. Signage was discussed, including posters, fliers, and having a table with information available at town hall on voting day. Sullivan volunteered to check with the town moderator to see what might be acceptable. Another possibility is group e-mailings as a way to remind people of the forum. Another idea was to have Lowry create a postcard to be mailed out to residents before the forum. Pickman made a motion to move forward with the postcards, second by Martin, and so voted. They will be mailed out on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

New Ipswich subdivision: A notice was received from the Town of New Ipswich that indicated their Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment would be holding a joint public hearing on Wednesday, October 17, 2012 at 7 p.m. Under consideration is a subdivision application and variance application from a developer who is proposing a 48-lot subdivision near the Temple town line. Several Temple board members expressed interest in attending the New Ipswich meeting. It was decided to change the date of the next Temple Planning Board meeting so it would not conflict. Pickman made a motion to change the date of the next Temple Planning Board meeting to Thursday, October 18, 2012 at 7:30 p.m., second by Lockwood, and so voted. A notice announcing the date change and the reason for it will be posted.

LGC Law Lecture Series: Lockwood commented on her attendance at two of the lectures. She reported they were well attended and a positive experience. Lockwood suggested the Planning Board might consider taking a look at Conditional Use Permits at a future meeting. She also brought up the need to learn more about "Agenda 21", which is a concept that is triggering an anti-planning agenda with statewide planning.

## Other business:

-Discussion of how many land use manuals to order.

-Lowry again asked all board members to contact her with any information or items to put on the agenda in order to assist in compliance of Right-to-Know law. This brought up a heated discussion about the importance of openness and transparency with regard to stating opinion within the context of a public meeting, thus having

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everything documented as part of the public record. It was noted that public documents being forwarded to all board members would be acceptable.

-Sullivan reminded the board they had voted in a previous meeting to explore the subject of how town boards may have the authority to limit or control projects that could be conceived as having considerable impact upon the town of Temple. It was agreed to put this item on the agenda for the next PB meeting.

-Lowry signed off on invoices for survey expenses to be submitted for reimbursement.

Move to adjourn by Ayvazian, second by Martin, and so voted at 8:32 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Betsy Perry

*Next regularly scheduled meeting Thursday, October 18, 2012*