## TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

## PLANNING BOARD January 3, 2018 MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Board members present: Camilla Lockwood, Allan Pickman, Ted Sartell, Bill Ezell, Tedd Petro, and Bruce Kullgren, Jr.

Call to order by Pickman at 7:00 p.m.

<u>Approval of minutes</u>: The minutes of 12/20/17 were reviewed. A motion was made by Petro to approve as written, seconded by Pickman, and so voted.

<u>Master Plan update</u>: Pickman advised he is trying to determine the status of printing the survey forms. As soon as they become available they will be mailed out.

Guests Lisa Murphy and Henry Underwood from Southwest Region Planning Commission (SWRPC) were in attendance. Underwood introduced himself and explained the work he performs plus the types of programs and services provided to towns by SWRPC. Copies of an informational brochure with contact information were provided to board members. Both Underwood and Murphy noted the importance of outreach by SWRPC to gather an overview on local boards. A question was asked about the existence of an Emergency Management Plan for Temple and this was briefly discussed. Sartell asked about the availability of figures indicating how many NH towns have Site Plan Review (SPR) for agriculture. Underwood noted this could possibly be researched but would involve SWRPC requesting information about zoning regulations from each of the 34 municipalities they serve. Murphy mentioned using Plan-Link services to inquire and share information about PB issues.

Murphy passed out copies of the latest version of the Master Plan chapter "Population and Housing" and this was reviewed in detail. Several topics elicited extended conversation, including: how to illustrate and analyze age distribution figures; reviewing past building permits for new construction and impact of lot sizes; factors affecting population projections; questions on figures regarding finances/affordability charts. Some graphs will be redone and others may be added. Murphy also handed out copies of the chapter "Economic Development Analysis" for board members to review as "homework".

Underwood then provided copies of a colored map titled "Temple Housing Density", which was briefly reviewed and discussed. He also noted SWRPC provides a monthly "Recent Activity Highlights" that indicates planning activities being addressed by municipal membership. There was brief conversation about road counters, and the effort known as "Smart Growth" that was promoted in the past. Murphy inquired if the board wished to have a "Goals and Objectives" chapter, with agreement that the "Vision Statement" is more important. Murphy will be back for the first meeting in March (Wednesday, 3/7/18). She asked that board members read and discuss the "Economic Development Analysis" chapter prior to her return visit.

<u>Agriculture zoning amendments:</u> Discussion of timing of publishing and posting for a public hearing to be held on Wednesday, January 24, 2018. The hearing will be in two parts to cover 1) a proposal for a zoning amendment to change the town's definition of agriculture to match the state's version, plus 2) a following public forum to involve residents in discussion about considering Site Plan Review for agriculture. A public notice will be sent to the Monadnock Ledger, and information posted locally as well as on the town website.

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Move to adjourn by Pickman, second by Petro, and so voted at 9:12 p.m. Minutes submitted by Betsy Perry

~ The next regular meeting will be held January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.