

Temple Land Use Committee

Minutes

January 6, 2022

Chairman Tim Fiske called the meeting to order at 5 p.m.

Present: Allan Pickman, Gail Cromwell, Lilliane LeBel, Honey Hastings, Scott Hecker, George Willard, Christine Robidoux, Tim Fiske

Absent: Kathy Boot

Guest: Connie Kieley

Tim announced that Deborah Harling has resigned from the Committee.

1. The Minutes of the meeting on December 15 were discussed and approved.
2. Tim presented a draft for the Town Report. A number of suggestions were made such as adding better identifying descriptions of various properties and Tim's efforts at outreach to various groups in town. Tim will rewrite and turn in before the January 12 deadline. One legal question was raised in connection with the desired exchange of land with the State of NH. Can the town "buy" the state-owned small property by the school and "sell" the town owned small piece by the State Highway Garage on Route 101. It was agreed this would need looking into.
3. Possible Warrant Articles were discussed. The current Reserve Account for the project uses the word "study" which the committee would like to move beyond. It would be desirable to rename the reserve account. Such rewording of reserve accounts has been done in the past but needs legal assistance. Any change would have to be voted at Town Meeting. Work will continue on the desired warrant articles.
4. Considerable discussion took place regarding the so-called "seep" area, a wetland on the potential site. Tim will meet with the Conservation Commission next week to discuss the issue with them. The desired objective would be to have all runoff water from the parking area on the site drain to a small pond or "drainage area" in the south end of the lot, avoiding the brook, the wetland seep area, and the well. The actual seep area would stay as is, undisturbed. Tim will meet with the engineering company to discuss a revision of the conceptual plan, and investigate hiring a hydrologist to assist with this. The anticipated revision makes more likely the need to merge the 7A-36 (Skladany) Property with the 7A-36-1 (former Holt property).

5. Tim shared a sketch showing the relocated lot lines on the Map 2B Lots 75-1 and 75-2. He will meet with the Select Board to propose the adjusted lines, creating the conservation trail easement. Being town-owned land, the SB will need to authorize the expense of notifying the abutters and a hearing notice. The sketch for the new lot lines is attached.

6. The next meeting of the committee will likely be scheduled in February to review the proposed warrant articles and plans for town meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Cromwell