

**Lempster Planning Board
Draft Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 14, 2024
At Lempster Town Office**

Members present: Bill Rodeschin, Kirt Wirkkala, David Richards, Everett Thurber (ex-officio), Scott Goodspeed (alternate)

Others Present: Patrick Dombroski, Charles Brookens, Laura Brookens, Maya Haviland, Brian C. Holmes, Dave Smith, Read Gildner-Blinn, Richard Chase, Rebecca Chase

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Vice-Chairman Rodeschin. Scott Goodspeed was seated in the absence of Mark Adams.

Review of draft minutes

Everett Thurber noted spelling errors in the 9/9/24 minutes. Motion made by Everett Thurber and second made by Scott Goodspeed to approve the minutes with the spelling corrections. All were in favor.

Public hearing, Brookens subdivision

Patrick Dombroski presented the plans on behalf of property owners Charles and Laura Brookens. The Brookens (Map 213, Lot 12) will be transferring a parcel of property (approximately .39 acres) to the abutting land owners, Brian C. Holmes and Maya Haviland (Map 213, Lot 13). There will be no new lots formed. A motion was made by David Richards and a second was made by Kirt Wirkkala to accept the application. All were in favor.

The abutter's hearing was opened at 7:12 pm. Dave Smith, Richard Chase, and Rebecca Chase were the abutters in attendance. The abutters did not have any objections to the plans as presented. The abutter's hearing was closed at 7:20 pm.

There were no Mylar copies of the plans included with the application. A motion was made by Kirt Wirkkala and a second was made by Everett Thurber to grant conditional approval pending the two Mylar copies of the plans being provided. All were in favor.

Old Business

A certified letter was sent to the property owners of Map 211, Lot 17 on Grandview Road concerning a non-permitted driveway access. The letter was returned not received. Chairman Adams was contacted by telephone to speak to the Board. Chairman Adams, after the letter was returned, contacted one of the property owners, Tiffany Ayotte, at the residence. Ms. Ayotte stated that the opening was there as long as they had owned the property and that they had only cleaned around the opening in the stone wall. The roadside drainage ditch has been filled in recently.

The Board decided that Chairman Adams would contact the land owner again and notify them that the ditch would have to be restored. If the land owner does not restore the ditch, the Town Highway would do the work and the land owner would be liable for the cost incurred. Everett Thurber estimated around \$300.00 to cover equipment and labor to do the work. A motion was made by David Richards and a second by Everett Thurber to have Chairman Adams contact the land owners and inform them to restore the ditch.

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Old Business Continued

Excavation site visits were reviewed.

Newport Sand & Gravel site has a concerning vertical wall. A letter will be sent to the owner to have this issue remedied.

Hersey site does not appear to have any activity for the year. RSA 155-E:5-a determines an excavation to be abandoned if no earth material of sufficient weight or volume to be commercially useful has been removed from that excavation site during any 2-year period. An abandoned excavation will be required to be reclaimed. The Board will monitor for a report of excavation in March.

Remaining excavation sites were found to be within permit with no issues.

New Business

The town has request annual budget proposals. Read Gildner-Blinn informed the Board that the UVLSRPC dues will increase 5% this year and 3% next year. The Board will request level funding with a transfer from the contingency line to cover the increase in dues.

Correspondence

NHDES sent a copy of the permit application for the correction after the fact for the Long Pond wharf project by the Town of Lempster. This will be placed on file.

School Superintendent Jim Lewis requested if the Board would be able to meet with School Board on Tuesday, November 12, at 5:30 pm to discuss the School portion of CIP. Board members will see who is available to meet with the School Board.

Bill Rodeschin requested that a reminder email be sent for CIP requests to be submitted for the 10/28 work session. The secretary will send a reminder email.

Motion made by Kirt Wirkkala and seconded by Everett Thurber to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
David Richards, Secretary