

**Town of Goshen
Planning Board
Minutes of October 3, 2019
FINAL APPROVED**

Planning Board members present (*quorum* = 3): Alicea Burse (Chair), Fred Smith, and Bruce Nadeau (ex-officio to select board)

Alternate (s): Karyn Berriault (non-voting)

Guest (s): Bonnie Belden, Trisha LaBossiere, Sandra Sonnichsen

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Capital Improvement Plan - Conservation Commission, Library, Cemetery Commission

Cemetery Commission: Had a scheduling conflict and will be re-scheduled.

Conservation Commission: Sandra Sonnichsen presented her concern regarding erosion behind the fire department. Bruce Nadeau, acting as ex-officio to the select board, will pursue the issue further with the assistance of Ms. Sonnichsen. No budget was needed or submitted; however, the board would include this issue in the Capital Improvement Plan so that in future discussions of the Capital Improvement Plan the issue is noted and should action be needed, plans can be made.

Library Commission: Bonnie Belden brought several suggestions regarding improvements to the Goshen Library to the board's attention:

1. Basement - insulation, weather tightening, fix the excess moisture issue, fix gaps in the foundation.
2. Attic - provide a weather tight solution.
3. Windows - new storms for the windows or other energy-efficient window solutions.
4. Lighting and Fans - provide energy-efficient lighting with LED bulbs; add ceiling fans and additional light fixtures.

Bruce Nadeau, acting on his own accord, has volunteered to assist the library commission to get heat properly directed to the pipes, address insulation, and weather tightening. He will also assist in working with the library and vendors to acquire new quotes for the job (s). The board recommended that Ms. Belden rewrite the plan so that it includes all the improvement suggestions that she presented. The board will have the library commission return to discuss the plan further during the November 21st meeting. No further actions were made.

Review of September 19, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Bruce Nadeau motioned to accept the minutes from September 19, 2019. Fred Smith seconded the motion. All were in favor, minutes approved 'as is'.

Sub-division Request (Knowlton)

The board reviewed the test pit data information as well as the missing pages that show the number of lots on the property (256 Center Road - Tax Map 202, Lot 29). The board did not see a problem with any of the

information provided, however they would like to discuss the sub-division further with the applicant during the October 17th meeting. No further actions were made.

Sub-division (Bevilacqua)

The board decided that after the Newport Sand & Gravel Site Inspection on Saturday, October 19th, they would do a site review on the Bevilacqua property on Route 10 to further evaluate the sub-division inquiry. No further actions were made at this time.

Annexation (Porter/Mitchell)

Standing item - no comments.

November Public Hearing (Warrant Articles)

The board reviewed the proposed warrant articles that were discussed during 2018. The board did not make any additional changes to the proposed articles.

Bruce Nadeau motioned to accept the revised edits of the warrant articles “as written”. Fred Smith seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Fred Smith motioned to take the edits “as written” and present them to the town during a public meeting scheduled for December 5, 2019. Bruce Nadeau seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The Public Hearing for the discussion of the proposed warrant articles will take place on Thursday, December 5, 2019 at 7:00 pm. Recording Secretary will post the hearing notifications in town-designated public locations and an ad will be included in the Eagle Times before October 17, 2019.

Member Discussion

Additional alternate members are still needed for the Planning Board, this topic will remain a standing agenda item until filled. Anyone interested in becoming an alternate member of the Planning Board should stop by any of the Planning Board meetings at the first or third Thursday of the month at 7pm in the Goshen Town Hall.

Other Business

- The next meeting will be the third Thursday of the month - October 17, 2019.
- Newport Sand & Gravel Pit Inspection: Saturday, October 19, 2019 - meeting location, entrance of the Anderson Pit.
- Bevilacqua site review: Saturday, October 19, 2019 following the Pit Inspection.

Standing items

- Capital Improvement Plan
- Sub-Division Request (Knowlton)
- Sub-Division (Bevilacqua)
- Annexation (Porter/Mitchell)
- Member Discussion - Standing Item
- Public Meeting, December 5, 2019 - warrant articles

Fred Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting; Bruce Nadeau seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Salinardi
Recording Secretary