

**Zoning Board  
Goshen, NH  
Minutes of October 14, 2020**

**Attendance** (*quorum* = 3): Alicea Burse (Chair), Ray Porter (Vice-Chair), Judy Dunn, and Ron Parenteau

Guest (s): Bonnie Belden, Trish LaBossiere, Cindy Phillips, Dianne Craig

Meeting called to order at 6:58pm

**Library Project**

The Library continues to move forward with their project to create an interactive experience with the natural elements of an area located in the woods behind the Library. The Library determined that to move forward they need to relocate their outbuilding to accommodate the proposal. Chair Burse stated that they would need either a special exception or a variance to move their outbuilding.

Bonnie Belden presented the Board with tax maps and deed information of the area and stated that the moving of the outbuilding (120 sq. ft.) was a suggestion from the designer. After review of the maps, discussion was had regarding boundaries and property lines in relation to Goshen Zoning Ordinances, specifically setback ordinances. The issue before the board is the setbacks of the proposed location. The Library is currently unable to positively identify the property line hence establishing proper setbacks or requesting a variance is not currently an option. Chair Burse and Ray Porter mentioned that if the pins are not found, and the distance is not determined, the board cannot grant a variance. Some discussion was had regarding non-conforming lots and it was determined that the Library would not meet the standards of the nonconforming lot and hence could not request special exception/variance. The board suggested that the Library Association reach out to Thomas Dombroski as listed on materials provided by the Library, to see if he has any plats of the area. They also suggested creative options such as moving the outbuilding to a different location or even selling the current outbuilding and putting a slightly smaller one in its place. The last resort would be to hire a surveyor and get the accurate distance needed to complete the exception/variance requirements. No actions were made.

**Review of Minutes from September 9, 2020**

*Ray Porter motioned to accept the minutes from September 9, 2020 'as is'. Judy Dunn seconded the motion. All were in favor, minutes approved.*

**High Speed Internet Discussion**

Selectman representative, Dianne Craig joined the Zoning Board to discuss the internet upgrade.

The timeline of the RFIs and the RFPs as well as the notification periods required for the a public hearing were discussed. All RFIs are due to the Selectboard by November 20, 2020. All RFPs are due to the Selectboard tentatively by December 21, 2020. The Selectboard should have all the RFPs reviewed by January 5, 2021. A tentative public hearing will be held on February 8, 2021 regarding the broadband discussion. If necessary, a vote will take place at the Town Meeting in March 2021.

The board continued the Request for Proposal (RFP) process regarding broadband internet. The board continued reviewing and making edits to an example of an RFP letter. The board will continue the process during future meetings. No actions were made.

The board discussed having an additional meeting to discuss edits and changes being made to the sample RFP. The meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2020 at 6 P.M.

### **Regulation Discussion - High Density Dwellings/High Density Dwelling Locations**

This topic will be tabled until all members are present. No actions were made.

### **Membership Discussion - Update**

Additional alternates are still needed for the Zoning Board of Adjustments. If anyone is interested in becoming a member, please stop by a meeting on the second Wednesday of any month. This will remain a standing item until filled. would be helpful to have an alternate.

### **Other Business**

- Mr. John Hooper's variance is currently in the 30-day appeal period. No concerns have been brought to the board's attention. No actions were made.
- The next regular meeting will be the second Wednesday of November - November 11, 2020.
- An additional meeting to discuss the High-Speed Internet will be held on October 21, 2020 at 6 P.M.

### **Standing Items:**

- High-Speed Internet - Continued discussion
- Regulation Discussion - high density dwellings (Pending)
- Member Discussion - seeking alternates and full time members (ongoing)

*Ray Porter made a motion to adjourn. Ron Parenteau seconded the motion. All were in favor; meeting adjourned at 8:27pm.*

Respectfully Submitted,  
Melissa Salinardi  
Recording Secretary