

PLANNING BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF STODDARD
TOWN HALL – 7PM
FEBRUARY 5, 2019
MINUTES

Pledge

Roll Call: Present – Dian Mathews – Chair, Jane McOsker – Vice Chair, Ally Hutchinson, Chris Madden – Selectmen Representative and Harry Power – Alternate, asked to come forward to replace George Davenport.

Excused: George Davenport

Absent: Ben Wilder

Minutes of January 15, 2019 accepted as distributed.

Correspondence:

Budget:

- Chris wondered if the yearly RSA books should be payed by the individual boards or by the town for each board. He will check with Jim, Town Administrator.
- Will check on the subscriptions to Town/Country & NH Business
- Secretary was given a dollar raise making her pay \$16.00 an hour.

Southwest Region Planning Commission:

- The Commission is conducting a survey to collect information as part of an age focused (65+) planning study for Southwest NH. The project will examine current and projected demographics as well as the wants and needs of the residents. This will be conducted in two parts over two years.
- Link to the survey - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SWRPCAge-Focussed>

Unfinished Business:

- Did not meet for the sub committee working meeting on the Master Plan.
- The update of the Commercial/Industrial language is being reviewed by Planning Board Lawyer Matt Serge.
- Dian is waiting for a call back from the Muncipial Law regarding RSA673:13 Removal of Member.
- Tuesday February 12, 2019 is the Southwest Annual meeting at the Delegation Room of Cheshire County Winter Street.une
- Saturday June 1, 2018 is the OSI Planning Conference meeting.

- Harry believes a new Senate Bill 306 will be voted on. This bill proposes to create a House Board of Appeals. Instead of appeals being heard by the Supreme Court they would be heard by the House Board of Appeals. This would be after all town appeals have been exhausted. You would have 90 days to file an appeal and 60 days in which a hearing would be held by the board. The Supreme Court would appoint the 3 members of the board.
- Harry also talked to Margaret Burns from Municipal Law regarding whether or not a selectmen can sit on a ZBA board. He was told they could sit on the ZBA board. Chris stated he also talked to the Planning Board Lawyer Matt Serge and was told a Selectmen could not sit on the ZBA. Chris is going to check with the Planning Board Lawyer again.
- Home Rule - The State of NH gives towns the right to make laws, but state law trumps local law.
- ADU'S - Harry brought question to the board whether an existing detached can be considered as the ADU? The owner is proposing to move into the detached structure as the main residence and it will not come under the ADU ordinance any longer.
- NOTE: The Planning Board intention is that the ADU has a maximum of 1000 square feet only.

Meeting adjourned 7:40PM

Vickie Williams - Secretary