

**TOWN OF NORTHUMBERLAND
PLANNING BOARD MINUTES
Weds., Feb. 3, 2016
Groveton PD/Ambulance Bldg. - Meeting Room
10 Station Square
Groveton, NH
7:00 P.M.**

Board Member present: Tim Sutherland, Addy Hall, Al Rossetto, J. Weagle
Others: Elaine Gray, Rebecca St. Cyr - Recorder

Chairman, T. Sutherland opened the meeting at 7:05 pm.

**1. MINUTES of January 6, 2016 Meeting & Appendage to Minutes Rec'd
By Abutter to Prima America**

Discussed an email received from Dan & Wanda Dupuis; the current Board members were not familiar with what might have been issued by previous Boards. The appendage will be added to the January 6, 2016 minutes. (See below)

Motion to add the appendage to the January 6, 2016 minutes by: J. Weagle
2nd by: A. Hall, All in Favor 4-0

2. Amendment of Site Plan Review Regulations - due to Fee Change

E. Gray reviewed the application fee verbiage in the Site Plan Review Regulations - Section D – Submission Procedure, first paragraph. It currently reads: an application fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00); it was increased to \$110.00 at a previous meeting.

Motion to omit the cost in all of the site plan review regulations and amend to the current application fee by: J. Weagle
2nd by: A. Rossetto, All in Favor 4-0

It will be changed to read: of the current application fee.

3. 2015 Municipal Law Update Rec'd from Bernie Waugh

The 2015 Municipal Law update was received Bernie Waugh. The update includes changes and case studies during 2015. He has offered to come up and meet with the Board to review. E. Gray will send him an invite to the May 4, 2016 or June 1, 2016 meeting, if that's convenient for him. He will be reviewing items that might be important to Groveton. The meeting will start at 6:00 pm.

4. Other Business to Come Before the Board

- a. US Dept. of Energy / Northern Pass – notification of Public Hearings scheduled. It will be an opportunity for residents to give some input about the project. The hearings to be held in Whitefield and Colebrook are scheduled during March. Christine Filmore will be the Town's intervenor representative. A. Rossetto asked if there anything that the Planning Board

needs to do with the intervenor status? J. Weagle commented no.

- b. J. Weagle reviewed updates from the Select Board. There is a Public Meeting scheduled with Bob Chapman, Mike Sterling; they are trying to get support for the mill project. Cell Tower – they are still saying there should be something up and running by next week. E. Gray commented that T-Mobile has asked if the building permit is still good, because they want to start construction right off. NE Wire has also been in the area.

Weagle reviewed the article in the Democrat regarding a furniture company that might be coming. A. Hall asked about the \$5,000,000 that Chapman is waiting on, Weagle addressed.

The Select Board is moving forward with what they have and are trying to keep the budget in line.

Motion to adjourn by: A. Hall
2nd by: J. Weagle, All in Favor 4-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm

Appendage to minutes of January 6, 2016

One of the attendees mentioned something adverse about wet lands as though the property is useless. Hardly the case as we have an approved State of NH plot plan, Northumberland building permit, and a State approved entrance / exit off US Route 3.

Not sure what land development work was done on either side of the property over time if indeed our land is more wet now than a point in time when soil samples were taken and made part of the State and Town documentations. Thank you for appending this to the minutes.

Dan and Wanda Dupuis