

THESE MINUTES MAY BE APPROVED AND/OR AMENDED AT THE FOLLOWING MEETING

Town of Richmond Veterans Hall

December 20, 2016

7:30 PM

Planning Board Informational

Meeting

Members Present:

Lloyd Condon, (Chairman)
Chris Daugherty, Selectman Rep
Butch Morin (Alt.)

Members Absent:

Jason MacDonald (Secretary)
Seth Reece (Vice Chairman)
Harry Brake
Loreal Schmidt
Norma Thibodeau

Public: JB Mack, Southwest Regional Planning Commission.

There was no quorum of the Planning Board present; this was strictly an informational meeting. No votes were taken.

1. Public:

No one from the public.

2. Mail:

Nothing for mail.

**3. JB Mack Southwest Region Planning Commission:
Discussion on their role within the Community.**

JB Mack from Southwest Region Planning Commission located at 37 Ashuelot St. Keene asked to be placed on the agenda to discuss the role the Planning Commission plays in our local region. The Southwest Region is made up of 34 Communities referred to as the Monadnock Region. They cover 976 Sq. miles with 100,751 residents. There are 35,754 people working in the region and 23,052 work and live in the region. The average age is 44.7 years and the average household income is 62,118. There are 45,744 household units.

JB Mack went on to discuss the services offered to town within their Region. Community and Economic Development, Transportation, Local Assistance, Emergency Management, Emerging Planning Issues, Natural Resources and Mapping & Data Collection. Mack briefly outlined each work program area throughout the remainder of his presentation. He added that they are capable of offering a wide range of services to our community. Some of the services have a small fee and some are included with a town's membership. Richmond is a member of the Southwest Region Planning Commission and has received help through the Brownfield's program with the revitalization of 4-Corners.

He concluded asking if there might be a subject that would be of interest to the Town of Richmond. Chairman Condon asked if there could be something put together for the towns that will eventually be threatened by a gas pipeline in the future. Mack responded agreeing that this was a hot topic and they would work on something in the future to help aid in the protection of our Town and our natural resources.

Mack thanked the board for letting him take their time to discuss their role.

4. Camp Wiyaka: Installation of two compost toilets.
Jeanette Robichaud, Dexter Carlson

Department of Environmental Services (DES) reiterated that there are no State wide permits or regulations for Compost Toilets. Darren King from DES was contacted and DES encourages their use. They are a self contained system that is pumped on a regular basis. NH Audubon Society and the Society for the Protection of NH Forest have installed the compost toilets and are very happy with the results. The Audubon Society uses the liquid pumped from the system on their flower gardens with great results.

After a brief discussion of the members it was determined that The Athol YMCA (Camp Wiyaka) would need to do a site plan of the area where the building will be located to satisfy Richmond Zoning Ordinances.

5. Zoning Ordinance, Accessory Dwelling Unit:

The New Hampshire Municipal Association was contacted in reference to a definition for common wall. Margaret M.L. Byrnes, Esquire responded simply by saying that we define it in a way that makes it clear that the wall must actually be a wall of the house, to which the Accessory Dwelling Unit is attached. Byrnes responded that the Richmond Planning Boards current definition reasonably accomplishes that.

6. Minutes of December 6, 2016:

Tabled until next meeting.

7. Heavy Construction Site Plan Regulations:

Tabled until the next meeting.

8. Site Plan Review Regulations and application:

Tabled until the next meeting.

9. Nicholas Bosonetto, Et Al. v. Town of Richmond Planning Board:

Chris Daugherty explained that the court suggested having a mediation meeting to discuss what each side must do to accomplish a subdivision for Nicholas and Jill Bosonetto. The Court will be in touch after the first of the year to set up a mutual time.

10. Other:

Respectfully Submitted.

Kandace Mattson