TOWN OF NORTHUMBERLAND
PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES (DRAFT)
Weds., April 6, 2022
Groveton PD/Ambulance Bldg. - Meeting Room
10 Station Square
Groveton, NH
7:00 P.M.

***DURING THE MEETING MASKS ARE OPTIONAL ***

Board Members Present: Al Rossetto, Chair, Jim Tierney, Nicole Canavan, Ted Caouette, Ryan Shannon
Others Present: Elizabeth Ball, Clerk, Steve Collins

1. MINUTES of March 2, 2022 Meeting 7pm and Al opens the Planning Board meeting and wants to thank Jim Weagle for his years of service to the Board and Town. Al welcomes Jim Tierney as the new Select Board representative to the Planning Board.

A motion to accept minutes from March's meeting is requested, motion made by Nicole to accept March's meeting minutes, second by Ryan. All in favor, 5-0.

2. Lot Merger- Steven Collins

Lot #1
Map 229 Lot 4, 5, 6
Lot #2
Map 229 Lot 7 & 8
Map 230 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

Steve Collins takes the floor and explains the history behind his request. Stating it has been 14 years and still no decision. The property was purchased in 2006, since then there has been lots of pushback by the Planning Board, Select Board and Fire. Talk of approved permits and plans that are now outdated, lots of money invested.

Much discussion between Al and Steve on how much of a mess this has been, what can we do to resolve?
Nicole brings up that she feels this merger is not in the best interest of the

property owner or the Town. Speaking on further expansion opportunities for the Town this merger would not allow. Missed opportunity.

Jim makes motion to approve merger, Ryan seconds…….

Discussion continues between everyone on past problems and present remedies. Right of ways, private roads, taxes on current property and future town income, current use concerns.

There have been offers to purchase the property, but owner does not want to develop or sell at this time.

Conclusion is that this should be tabled until the next meeting so the Select Board can do research and have input. The suggestion is not to merge.

Jim withdraws his motion, Ryan seconds.

New motion to table until next Planning Board meeting by Nicole, Ryan seconds, all in favor, 5-0.

3. Talk about members being on multiple boards

Ted brings up the agenda item regarding putting several members on multiple boards. The legality, and many interpretations of this rule. It is a State rule and has to be followed, upon more careful study it is determined that the procedure followed now is correct, the situation with Mario and Ryan was not.

Al mentions that Sean Durkin may put his name in for the Zoning Board and that there is an opening for an alternative for Planning Board, there is an ad in the paper for that opening.

4. Any Other Business To Come Before the Board – None.

Motion by Jim to adjourn at 7:58pm, Nicole seconds, all in favor, 5-0.

Pam Kathan
Northumberland Planning Board Minute Taker

Next meeting May 4, 2022.

Minutes approved by Northumberland Planning Board Members on _____

X _____
Al Rossetto
Northumberland Planning Board Chairman

X _____
Ted Caoutte
Northumberland Planning Board Member

X _____
Ryan Shannon
Northumberland Planning Board Member

X _____
Nicole Canavan
Northumberland Planning Board Member

X _____
Jim Tierney
Planning Board Selectman Representative

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