

**NEW DURHAM PLANNING BOARD
New Durham Town Hall
June 6, 2017, 7:00p.m.**

Present

Scott Drummey, Chairman
Rod Doherty, Selectman
Bob Craycraft
Dot Veisel
Jeff Allard

Excused Absence

Theresa Chabot

Also Present

Laura Zuzgo, Administrative Assistant
David Swenson, resident
Megan Bickford, resident
Corey White
Melissa White

Call to Order

Chair Drummey called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

Public Input

Megan Bickford, resident, stated the recent ordinance change inhibits her ability to run her business. She explained its under the residential/agricultural district ordinance regarding the raising of pigs and location of the barn within 250' of abutting residence; she stated the inspections for setbacks have been completed by John Abbott. Chair Drummey stated he is unsure as to why there is this specific restriction. Ms. Bickford stated she has not discussed this with her neighbor. Selectman Doherty asked whether the restriction is regarding the location of the barn or the activity of raising pigs. Ms. Viesel asked if there were alternate locations to put the barn at a further distance from abutters. Ms. Bickford stated it isn't practical. Chair Drummey suggested she needs a variance from the ZBA.

Preliminary Discussion:

Request of Corey and Melissa White to Build on Class VI Road

Mr. White presented documentation regarding their plans for building on the class VI road. He explained they presented their request to the Board of Selectmen and were directed to discuss with the Planning Board. Mr. White explained there is a waiver of the distance requirement of 600' and would like to pursue that. He stated he has met with a builder, engineer and wetlands expert, noting they don't currently own the property but

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sale is contingent upon approval of building the road. Maps and pictures were presented for review and he stated they are prepared to maintain the road at no cost to taxpayers; he stated he has also discussed the accommodations for safety vehicles with the engineers, and bring the road up to a class V road. There was further discussion of the maps presented. Mr. Allard asked about the wetlands impact. Mr. White replied the only stream is seasonal and the engineer didn't note any expected impact. Mr. Craycraft suggested speaking with the Fire Chief and Police Chief regarding water and safety access. Ms. Viesel stated there also needs to be accommodations for school buses.

Review and Comment on Involuntary Merged Lots

Chair Drummey stated there is an application from the Martin Family who have lots on South Shore Road and want to restore an involuntary merger. He explained there were six lots at one point which were merged into one but they would like it to be made into two lots. A map was reviewed. The reason for initial merger is unclear and the request was discussed and noted there is already a house on the lot.

Approval of Minutes

Meeting of May 16, 2017 – Edits were made. **Ms. Viesel made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Mr. Craycraft seconded the motion. Motion passed, 4-0-1.** Mr. Allard abstained.

Old Business

Master Plan Update

Mr. Swenson stated the Master Plan Update has been printed although the printing costs were higher and he was only able to get 7 copies. These were distributed and reviewed. It was noted the final step is public hearing for this.

Future Meetings

Public Hearing: June 20, 2017, 7:00pm, Town Hall

Public Hearing for Master Plan: June 26, 2017, 7:00pm, Town Hall

Website Updates

Suggested edits were discussed and agreed upon.

Other

Chair Drummey stated they received a letter from the Building Inspector indicating there are a number of illegal signs posted around Town however ownership is unclear in order to notify of consequences of failure to remove. Ms. Zuzgo stated the Building Inspector has started removing signs.

Mail/Correspondence

Chair Drummey stated a letter was received indicating someone wants to conduct a project on the shoreline and application was made to the Division of Historical Resources.

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Mr. Craycraft made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Viesel seconded the motion. Motion passed, 5-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Riel, Recording Secretary