

NEW DURHAM PLANNING BOARD

New Durham Town Hall

July 23, 2019, 7:00p.m.

Present

Jeff Allard, Chair

Bob Craycraft, Vice Chair

Scott Drummey, Member

Excused Absence

Dorothy Veisel, Board of Selectmen representative

David Wessel, Member

Jennifer Thompson, Alternate Member

Also Present

Laura Zuzgo, Administrative Assistant

Marcia Moreno-Baez, Strafford Regional Planning Commission

Call to Order

Chair Allard called the meeting to order at 7:13pm. He stated this is a special workshop meeting to discuss the plans for the Land Use Suitability Map.

Land Use Suitability Map

Chair Allard stated there were a few major issues of concern that need to be discussed including the colors of the overlays and keeping the colors clear without confusion; mixed use district as laid out in the ordinance and confirmed the ordinance is correct in it's definition of the outline of the district. There needs to be a resolution of whether any area of the Town will be designated suitable for industrial development. Mr. Drummey noted some portions of the ordinance would need to be rewritten to align with the maps. Chair Allard will work on the ordinance changes after decisions are made tonight.

Marcia Moreno-Baez, SRPC, suggested that in regards to the colors, to have a set of layers which differentiates between the water bodies and setbacks as well as other aspects of the land areas. The Board discussed having one overlay that combines all the layers with land suitable for development. Chair Allard suggested that the final map would combine all the parameters as discussed and outlined but it doesn't need to have shading, indicating just developable or non-developable with further definition in the other maps.

The Board discussed the mixed-use district. Chair Allard suggested boundaries within the Town center for review and discussion. There was also discussion about the wording of the ordinance. There was also discussion about whether industrial business is allowed within Town. Chair Allard noted the current ordinance requires a variance from the ZBA but suggested it would be good to have an area designated for this use. Mr. Drummey suggested if they do designate a specific area of Town, the residents of that area will be

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Approved

opposed. Mr. Craycraft suggested significant further study would be needed before designating a specific area.

Chair Allard confirmed these maps would be able to be placed on the Town's website and asked if hard copies would be needed. The Board agreed at least one set is necessary. Ms. Zuzgo stated people will come in and ask to see a hard copy. It was also agreed all the maps would be needed in hard copy. Ms. Moreno-Baez will get back to the Board on the cost for the printed maps.

Adjourn

Mr. Drummey made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Craycraft seconded the motion.

Motion passed, 3-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Riel, Recording Secretary