



**Canaan Planning Board**  
Minutes  
Meeting of May 9, 2013

**Call to Order**

7:05 John Bergeron called the meeting to order. Members present: John Bergeron, David McAlister (select board representative) and Chuck Townsend. John Bergeron appointed Carol Morrison to fill Steve Ward's seat.

**Master Plan Revision Discussion**

John Bergeron distributed a sign-in sheet for residents interested in participating in the work. The board and the twelve residents who signed in began discussion of the Vision section of the current Master Plan. The discussion was recessed at 7:15.

**Public Hearing - subdivision for Wallace and Carol Andrew, Map 17 Lot 47**

7:15 David McAlister moved and Carol Morrison seconded the motion that application is complete for review. Chris Rollins, surveyor, was present representing the applicants. Abutter David Kellogg was present. Mr. Rollins described the proposed subdivision on Roberts Road. The new lot, Map 17 Lot 47-1, 5.25 acres, would be accessed by the existing driveway on the 28.9 acre remainder property. John Bergeron closed the Public Hearing. David McAlister moved and Carol Morrison seconded the motion to approve the application as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**Master Plan Revision Discussion (reconvened)**

7:30 The group discussed what the vision statement should look like. The present vision is largely a summary of the later sections, and there were suggestions that it be rewritten as a more abstract vision of what it should be like to live in the town. Biff Simson suggested introductory paragraph that is general, with a few bullet points and a closing statement. The twelve residents present supported this approach. Participants liked the Goshen town vision statement and we went around the room with each resident suggesting other ideas that might be incorporated in the Canaan vision, and they were collected on a flip chart. Biff Simson, Kevin Howard and Jim Nowell volunteered to work the ideas into a statement that we can consider at the next meeting in two weeks.

**Minutes review**

Chuck Townsend read the minutes from the April 11, 2013 meeting. A spelling error was noted. David McAlister moved that the board accept the minutes with the correction. After a second by John Bergeron the motion was approved.

**Correspondence Review**

Town & City – NH Municipal Association journal for May and June.

**New Hampshire Planning and Land Use Regulation** – John Bergeron received two copies and David McAlister will check on the availability of additional copies.

**Adjournment**

8:52 David McAlister moved adjournment with a second from Steve Ward. Motion was approved.

Respectfully submitted  
Chuck Townsend, Vice Chair