

Approved Minutes of the Canaan NH Planning Board Meeting March 12, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Attending: John Bergeron, Chuck Townsend (arrived 7:40), Arnold Song, Dave McAllister, Carol Ann Morrison, Kathi Meyerson

The minutes of February 26, 2015 were reviewed and approved with revisions on a move by Dave and second by Kathi.

There was no correspondence.

There were no new applications.

Five members of the public attended: Richard Remacle, Wesley Mansur, Al Poznanski, Scott Conwell, and Phil Salvail.

Discussion ensued re: 155-E and excavation permitting regulations.

John Bergeron said bonding and reclamation plans are the tough nuts to address, along with Alteration of Terrain and other permits such as Building. He pointed out that we're doing is directly from the RSA. Permits are also addressed in the RSA and explained further. We determined that we should ask DRA about the two-acre/1000 cubic yard rule in the State Regulations. It was felt that most issues are addressed within the regulation except as addressed in the RSA. John added that it's very clear that lots of people have questions and that perhaps we should invite Mary Pinkham-Langer from DRA to help answer them.

Richard Remacle was concerned about coming back to the Planning Board every five years and also about whether we'd be hiring someone to do inspections. He wondered if these regulations apply to the Town Pit.

Wesley Mansur wanted to know why we have to do this. John replied, "We are required to by State Regulations."

Al Poznanski wondered who enforces the regulations and was told that the Planning Board is the enforcement agency. He also wanted to know where the money is coming from to enforce and do inspections.

Richard Remacle was adamant that there should be no surprise inspections. This was echoed by others in the room.

Scott Conwell also asked if the permit is for commercial pits only, or if the Town Pit will also need one. The Town Pit is excluded in the State Regulations because the material excavated is only used for highway construction.

The Hearing was continued to 7:30 PM on the second Thursday in April at the Senior Center in Canaan, NH.

A move was made to adjourn and passed at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Ann Morrison
Secretary