

MINUTES *Approved*

ACWORTH PLANNING BOARD MEETING: July 23, 2018

MEETING OPEN: 7:00PM

PRESENT: Mike Aron, Frank Emig, Rob Vogel, Cheryl Sanctuary, Jim Neidert, Joe Fedora, Henry Sipple

PUBLIC: Roy Miller, Charles Collins, Matt Connors, Betty Sipple, Carole Wallace, Jennifer Bland

MINUTES:

1. PB meeting June 25, 2018: Motion MA/CS to approve, passed.

HEARINGS, APPLICATIONS, GUESTS:

1. Roy Miller discussed plan to subdivide Miller farm property creating a house lot around the house and barn beside NH 123A. RV noted frontage and acreage available to meet requirements. It was also noted that in the absence of a survey of the originating parcel a survey of the original and new lot would be needed.
2. Jennifer Bland updated PB on the proposal to upgrade power lines along scenic Luther Hill Road. To date discussion has taken place between property owners, NHEC and Bascom Maple Farm which is requesting the upgrade. It was noted the Town is the grantee of the conservation easement covering much of the property involved and that as grantee is charged with upholding the terms of the easement. It was also noted that the Town has received a request for pole licensing from NHEC which has not yet been acted on and has not received a request for scenic road tree work which would need review by the Planning Board.
3. Matt Connors expressed interest in PB alternate position and asked about position responsibilities. It was noted alternates are voted on by the board, participate in monthly meeting discussion and vote in the absence of permanent members. Motion MA/HS to appoint MC as alternate, passed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Liberty Utilities confirmation of September 24 hearing date for tree work on scenic roads noted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Site Committee: None
2. Regional Planning Commissioner: Most current business not affecting Acworth directly.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

1. Master Plan: There was discussion about a vision statement including the conflict between level taxation and restricting commercial development, the adequacy of Acworth's young and elder housing stock, the importance of supporting agriculture and the means by which any of those topics could be addressed. The value of the original Master Plan's visions for Acworth was noted and there was consensus to work from previous MP versions to generate notes for the August meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Next meeting Monday, August 24.
2. Calendar notes: September Liberty Utilities public hearing, October CIP update.

MEETING ADJOURNED: By consensus 8:45PM, passed. Respectfully, Kathi Bradt.

