

Town of Stow Planning Board

Minutes approved

February 10th, 2025

Present: R. Flint, J. Blake, J. Luongo , C. Butter, A. Higgins

Absent: Alternate M. Peterson

February 10th, 2025, Meeting 6:15 PM

Board Business:

- Minutes from 1/13/2025 accepted (All in favor)

End Board Business

Old Business:

- Discussion of ADU requirements based on updated state law
 - Need to ensure that ordinance is updated to reflect new state law
 - Check on rules for Septic requirement – contained in lot
 - Can put some additional specifications on ADU
 - Potential to limit size – Prevent oversized ADUs on small lots. Larger lots can have second building units in existing zoning
 - Permitting – Should require permitting similar to other building
 - Non-conforming situations
- Water Extraction Ordinance
 - Hearing listed in paper.
 - Hearing scheduled for Saturday, Feb 22
- Comprehensive Plan
 - J. Luongo working with SMPDC to set up meeting to discuss proposal
- Internet upgrades for town
 - Fiber build-out complete.
 - Service is available
- Permit Expiration
 - Septic System Permit Expiration Dates

- J. Luongo drafted ordinance update.
 - Will adjust typo and board will vote at next meeting
 - Section 14.3 to add: “It must be renewed for another 2 years after the initial two years at the full current fee”
- Building Permit Expiration
 - J. Luongo drafted ordinance update. Board will vote at next meeting
 - Section 14.2.3 add “it must be renewed for another 2 years at the new current permit fees at time of renewal”
- Local Food and Community Self-Governance Ordinance
 - Citizens looking to pass Food Sovereignty ordinance
 - Suggestion to add mandatory disclosure for sold items to ensure consumers are informed
 - Question on the liability of town
 - Advised that town is immune based on Maine tort reform
 - What does town need to do avoid negligence
 - Will have a hearing for citizens to discuss
 - Will be in conjunction with Water Extraction hearing on Feb 22
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- Colton Hill Mine
 - Referred to Code Enforcement Officer

End of Old Business

New Business:

- None

End of New Business

Future Agenda Items:

End Future Agenda Items

Next meeting 10th March 2025 @ 6pm

Meeting Adjourned 6:56PM