Town of Stow Planning Board Minutes unofficial until approved March 14th, 2022

Present: J. Luongo, M. Peterson, Alternate R. Flint, Jean Blake

Absent: Anthony Higgins, C. Butters

March 14th, 2022, Meeting 6:03PM

Discussion of meeting timing. Proposal to hold meetings every 2nd Monday of the month. All Agreed. Next meeting set for April 11th, 2022, at 6:00PM.

Noted need for new secretary due to departure from board of prior secretary. Motion by J. Luongo for R. Flint to be secretary. Second by J. Blake. All members agreed.

Old Business:

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- Penalties for code violations
 - Board to investigate what other nearby towns are doing
 - Preference for simple structure for penalties to aid enforcement
 - Follow up next meeting
 - Green Space requirements for developments
 - Looking to add public space
 - o Board to understand lands made available via Greater Lovell Land Trust at Charles Pond
 - Access to river via town land next to bridge on New Road
 - Also to provide access for refilling by Fire Department
 - o Board to review existing subdivision ordinance
 - Follow up next meeting
- Internet upgrades for town
 - R. Flint discussed involvement with the Eastern Slopes Regional Broadband (ESRB) coalition (formerly MSAD72 Broadband Committee).
 - Memorandum of Agreement signed by 7 towns (Stow, Stoneham, Lovell, Sweden, Fryeburg, Denmark, Brownfield). Chatham, NH still pending
 - ESRB received grant for Phase II engagement of consultant for defining scope and options for implementation
- Marijuana on Leased Land
 - Unclear what town can do
 - Motion to table by J. Luongo. No second
 - Discussion of setback requirements for temporary structures

- Follow up next meeting
- Occupancy and Driveway permits
 - Driveway Permits
 - Use to ensure water control (sloping, culverts, etc.)
 - Board to review Street Ordinance
 - Confirm if we can add permit fee
 - Discussion on temporary driveways (eg for logging) vs. permanent driveways
 - Board to review State driveway regulations
 - M. Peterson to review ordinances and report to Board
 - Occupancy Permits
 - Can't enforce without building code
 - Motion to table by J. Luongo. J. Blake seconded. All Agree

End of Old Business

New Business:

No New business.

Meeting Adjourned 7:38PM