**Town of Stow**

Planning Board Minutes 6-4-2019

**Opening:** The Planning Board meeting was called to order at 5:55pm in Stow, Maine by Steve Dupuis.

**Present**

**Planning Board Members:** Steve Dupuis**,** Melvin Peterson**,** Tony Higgins, Cindy Butters, Carrie Garland

**Residents/Guests:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes unanimously approved from previous meeting.

**Old Business:** Steve Dupuis has been researching the water extraction legalities. MMA site references large hurtles for towns trying to implement large scale water extraction ordinances. Steve Dupuis will contact Jim Wilfong again to discuss the constitutional challenges and corporate laws associated with the rights of the town’s people v. corporation. Informal discussion with town residents implies support for large scale water extraction ordinance.

The town has tried to implement a building code in the past, and it was voted down. Board has agreed to table adopting a building code for now. Buyer beware.

**New Business:** The board is in agreement on hiring a knowledgeable speaker for the informational meeting regarding water extraction and the possible impact such a business will have on the town.

Each member of the board is asked to look through the current ordinances and choose one that can be eliminated or needs clarification.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 by Steve Dupuis. Next meeting will be July 2, 2019 at 6:00pm.

Minutes submitted by Carrie Garland.