

**LITCHFIELD PLANNING BOARD**

April 5, 2011

Minutes approved-5/10/11

**Members present:**

- Leon Barry, Chairman
- Bob Curtis, Vice-Chair
- Barry Bean
- Michael Croteau, Alternate

**Members not present:**

- Jayson Brennan
- Joel Kapelson, Alternate
- Selectmen’s Rep
- John Miller, Alternate

**Also Present:**

- Joan McKibben, Administrative Assistant
- Steve Wagner, Nashua Regional Planning Commission, Sr. Planner, Circuit Rider

The chairman calls the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.

The chairman appoints Michael Croteau as a voting member.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

- 1 Recreation Comm. proposed playing fields
2. “Farm Friendly” check-list review of zoning and regulations
3. Information on accessory dwelling units
4. approve minutes of 3/15/11

**1. Recreation Comm. proposed playing fields**

The Planning Board has received the latest drawings for the proposed fields off of Albuquerque Ave. The Board concurs that it is a good plan and appreciates that the Rec. Comm. took into consideration setbacks and wetland setbacks.

The Board questions will buses be coming to the playing fields. Would the recreation comm. be considering an area for buses? Would the turn- around have adequate radius for buses? Would the Rec. Comm. anticipate the use of surveillance cameras to protect against damage to the fields?

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**2. “Farm-Friendly” check-list review of zoning and regulations**

Steve Wagner did the review of Litchfield regs. Steve distributes copies of the checklist  
Steve asks the Board to take a look at the checklist to see if they agree with his yes/no answers.

Bob Curtis questions if there are any towns that are farm friendly that we could emulate.  
Steve will try and find information on other towns and how they did on the survey.

Steve directs the Board to RSA 674:44 e-g Creation of an Agricultural Commission.

It was mentioned that we should look at preservation of farm land as one of national security.  
In light of recent disasters world-wide we have to realize where our food is coming from.

**3. Approval of March 15, 2011 minutes**

The attendance of members was discussed. The chairman would like a letter sent to John Miller  
stating we are trying to recruit new members. In light of his poor attendance the Board would  
like him to consider resigning as soon as possible to free up a position on the board. If his  
schedule changes he is welcome to re-apply.

M. Croteau MOTIONS to accept the March 15, 2011 minutes as amended. B. Bean seconds the  
motion. Motion carries 4-0-0.

**4. Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) Information**

Steve Wagner distributes information he has received from the NH Commission for Human  
Rights. Our town counsel agrees that you can’t restrict ADU’s to just family members.

Steve has examples from three towns that have ADU’s and state they are not for rental purposes.  
The Board will review the information and see if they want to continue with an ADU ordinance.

Barry Bean MOTIONS to adjourn the meeting.  
Bob Curtis seconds the motion

There being no further business the meeting adjourns at 9:40 p.m.

Minutes transcribed by J. McKibben

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Barry Bean

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Michael Croteau