

## **Alna Planning Board Minutes**

**Date:** May 7, 2019

**Call to Order:** 6:30 pm

### **Present**

**Members:** Peter Tischbein, Beth Whitney (Secretary), Jeff Spinney (Chair), Taylor McGraw (alternate), Laurie Hiestand (alternate)

**Public:** Maranda Nemith, Brett Donham, David Abbott, Greg Schute, Trish Puhalski, Tom McKenzie, Jon Sawyer, Scott Winchester

**Press:** Jessica Clifford (LCN), Susan Johns (WNP)

We had been expecting to be able to use the new meeting room at the new Town Office but somebody forgot to clean up all the construction related materials so we were not able to use it tonight. We met in the waiting area instead. Fortunately, we're used to cramming into a small space...

**Minutes:** Minutes of March 5 & April 2, 2019 meetings were accepted as presented

### **Business:**

1. Maranda Nemith - Head Tide Dam Project - No issues were brought up. Motion to approve the permit application contingent on all other permits being granted - motion passed. Approval letter will be mailed this week. Discussion of work hours, construction fence, no swimming signs and other practicalities
2. Jon Sawyer - Business Permit (2019-01)- Plumbing - No customers will be coming to his house, no sign, no parking issues, - Motion to approve permit - motion passed. Approval letter will be mailed this week.
3. Trish Puhalski - questions regarding variance for in-law apartment square footage - size in building code says maximum size of 800 sq. ft. They would like it to be 1000-1200 sq. ft. Waiver put off till next time to research the origin of the 800 sq. ft. requirement. Tom M. will check with MMA
4. Tom McKenzie (CEO) - Proposal to repeal Section N of the Shoreland Zone Ordinance and replace it with the State Standards for Timber Harvesting - We were going to set a date for a Public Hearing in anticipation of voting on it at the June Town Meeting but decided that we need a bit more research to make it presentable for an ordinance change. Maybe the March Town meeting. Will need to prepare a hand out (Tom M.) to explain the need - what changes are being made and how does it benefit the town.
5. Scott & Amanda (formerly Amanda Averill - Rosewood Stables) Winchester - Business Permit (2019-02) - Winchester Logging - sign for firewood sales will be up by the road - work area is way out back by the stables - not visible from the road at all - regular business hours of 6 am-5 pm were added to the permit application. Motion to approve permit - motion passed. Approval letter will be mailed this week.

**Next Meeting:** June 4, 2019 if there is business

### **Adjourn:**

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Whitney  
Planning Board Secretary