Members Present: Thad Presby (Chair), Mark Hesler, Mary Grote, and Eric Meth

A regular meeting of the Franconia Planning Board was held via Zoom on Tuesday, January 26, 2021.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by Thad Presby.

The Board had a brief discussion regarding recruiting residents to be members of the Planning Board. Thad and Mary will be contacting some residents to see if they would be interested in joining the Planning Board.

There being no quorum, the minutes of the November 10, 2020, and January 12, 2021, meetings were not reviewed and will be placed on the February 9, 2021, meeting agenda.

**7:05PM – Master Plan Revision**

The Board began their review of the Master Plan that was last updated in 2008. The Board discussed some of the changes that have occurred in town since 2008 (i.e., short term rentals, mixed village use district, Iron Furnace, Chef Joe’s, Alpine Clinic, Dow Field pavilion and new playground, improved trail systems, etc.). The Board had a lengthy discussion regarding whether to mail out a paper survey to taxpayers, do an online survey, do a combination of both, or hold two public hearings. Mark suggested Thad contact Kim Cowles to make sure there is money allocated to the Planning Board budget to cover the cost of the survey.

Thad suggested prior to the next meeting that Board members become familiar with the Master Plan and come up with suggested questions to be included in the survey. Mark also suggested thinking about current and future threats to Franconia as well as challenges to address in the survey questions. Thad will contact Lydia Cumbee to see if she has any information from the previous Master Plan update.

The next Planning Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 9, 2021, at 7:00pm via zoom.

There being no further business, Thad made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Eric. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Wills