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

A regular meeting of the Franconia Planning Board was held on Tuesday, July 10, 2018, at the Franconia Town Hall.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Thad Presby.

The Board reviewed the minutes of April 8, 2018. Thad made a motion to accept the minutes as written, second by Mary. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Thad started a discussion regarding revised yet unapproved zoning from last year and the thought that 30% maximum impervious surface might be too large a percentage since most of our commercial lots are small and the rule would be extremely limiting; possibly 50% might be a more reasonable percentage. Discussion also took place about possibly applying for an exemption from the Shoreland Protection rules for the downtown area.

The Board discussed and voted to change the meeting schedule to only one meeting per month on the second Tuesday since there was not a lot of demand on the Board right now. A second meeting on the last Tuesday could be scheduled on an as needed basis. Victoria made a motion, second by Mary. Motion passed unanimously.

Nominations for elections as follows:

Thad nominated Mark for Vice Chair

Eric nominated Thad for Chairman

Victoria nominated Mary for Conservation Commission Representative

Thad nominated Victoria as ZBA Representative

Victoria nominated Eric for Selectmen Representative

Thad nominated John for North Country Council Representative

Informal discussion regarding Victoria’s property off Delage Farm Road and its potential access off Timber Lane. Survey plan by Kellogg references a deed to the small rectangular parcel to connect to Timber Lane. Based on information presented, Victoria appears to have claim to the land and could therefore use as access to the property. There was further discussion about if the property was subdivided how many lots would there be and how the length of Timber Lane would affect development potential of the lot.

After a motion and second, the meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Thad Presby, Chairman