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

A regular meeting of the Franconia Planning Board was held on Tuesday, August 14, 2018, at the Franconia Town Hall.

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

The Board reviewed the minutes of July 10, 2018. Thad made a motion to accept the minutes as written, second by Cort. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board voted on the slate of officers as previously nominated at the last meeting. Cort made a motion to approve the slate of officers, second by Mark. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board had a short discussion about Cole access to the property from the end of Timber Lane from past informal discussion by Victoria Cole. No new information at this point.

The Board read and discussed the letter drafted by Selectmen for the Planning Board to sign in support of improved sidewalk along Route 116 to Bickford Hill Road. There was much discussion on whether the project would be a sidewalk and if it would accommodate improved bike access since bikes are not supposed to use the sidewalks. In the unlikely event that the grant is issued, the town would be responsible for matching funds and would this be the best use of town money. Project details are not available at this point so it is difficult to evaluate the project. Also, any matching funds would require a vote of the townspeople. Thought it might be useful to invite Jill Brewer in for a quick meeting since she is the driving force for this project.

General discussion about beavers in the area around the Franstead Campground and apparent flooding due to compromised dams.

After a motion and second, the meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Thad Presby, Chairman