Members Present: Thad Presby, Mark Hesler, Monica Laflamme, Eric Meth, Pat Garvin, John

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Also Present:  Larry Plate, Kim Cowles

The October meeting of the Franconia Planning Board took place at the Franconia Town

Hall on Tuesday, October 11, 2022, at 7:00PM.

Thad Presby called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

**Approval of Minutes:** Review of the September 27, 2022, minutes was accomplished. Monica made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by John. All board members in attendance were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

**NCC proposal for Master Plan Updates:** The North Country Council (NCC) submitted a proposal to assist the PB with updating the Master Plan with the most recent and relevant data. Pat brought this to the Board because funding the proposal needs to be discussed and put into the town budget for the March, 2023 town meeting. BOS task the Planning Board to update the Master Plan so the Board will need funding to have the plan professionally done by North Country Council. Eric will get with Kim to find out how to approach the BOS and budget to ask for the money.

**Invest New Hampshire Municipal Planning and Zoning Grant Programs:** Pat provided an update on this program. This is a state program, and the North Country Council will be offering a similar program to North Country Communities. Because of this, the October application deadline is being postponed. Additionally, the NCC will be used as consultants regarding the InvestNH HOP Grant Program.

**InvestNH HOP Grant Program:** This is a rolling program that allows towns to apply for a $10K grant for each housing unit in Franconia approved for the InvestNH HOP grant. There are currently two projects, totaling eight units, in town that have applied for the program. If accepted, the BOS agreed that it was a good idea to apply for the town grants. Planning Board members will prepare the applications for the town grants for any approved housing projects under this program.

**Review Zoning Regulation:** After extensive discussion by the PB, it was determined that a thorough review of the Zoning Regulations will be tabled until after the March, 2023 Town Meeting. This will allow the new STR permitting process to proceed until the April 1, 2023, registration deadline. At that time, the Board will evaluate how the initial launch played out to make a more informed decision regarding changes to the Zoning Regulation.

**2022 Land Use Law Virtual Conference Information:** October 15, 2022, this conference took place and was broadcast by the town at Town Hall. Two members of the PB, Monica and Pat, and one member of the ZBA, Dawn Steele, attended the training.

**Next Meeting:** October 25, 2022, in the Town Hall at 7:00pm. This meeting will not be considered a second meeting for October, but instead the scheduled meeting for November. This is being done because the regular November meeting is scheduled on Election Day, and the 4thTuesday in November occurs during the Thanksgiving holiday week.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Monica Laflamme