

Franconia Planning Board
Minutes for meeting of December 18, 2018

By: Thad Presby

Members in attendance; Mary Grote, Cort Roussel, Thad Presby, Eric Meth, Mark Hesler, John DiMarzio

Others in attendance; Peter Grote, Jean Acres

Meeting called to order 7:02. No old business to discuss. Opened the public hearing for comment on proposed zoning amendments. Jean Acres lives at Fox Hill Park and was concerned that proposed uses in the Village Mixed Use District (VMU) or other zoning changes could make it more likely that someone would buy the park and convert it to another use. If this happens, she would not have a place to live. The Planning Board does not have control over this situation and we could not modify the VMU to exclude the Fox Hill Park property. The board also went over some examples of what could possibly be permitted on the Fox Hill property if it was utilized for cluster housing. The Board provided Jean with copies of the proposed zoning (2017 draft) and the summary of proposed changes

7:40 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) members presented proposed expenditures and recommendations for next year. CIP members in attendance Karen Foss, Trevor Presby and Peter Grote. CIP and Planning Board reviewed budgets and discussed various items. Trevor Presby suggested the need for a complete inventory of Town owned properties to determine if there are some that are not necessary. They could be sold to eliminate unnecessary maintenance cost for the Town. Discussion about the Life Squad regarding how much income it generates and is that income sufficient to pay for all its costs including vehicle and equipment. There appears to be little information on the actual revenue and total cost to operate. Also discussed was if it makes sense to be a transport service and how much that costs.

Motion to accept the CIP report by Cort and seconded by Mary. Unanimous vote to accept by the Board.

8:20 Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted by Thad Presby, Chairman