

FRANCONIA PLANNING BOARD

March 26, 2012

Members Present:

Mark Hesler, Mary Grote, Brian Williams, Lydia Cumbee and Dick Reinhold

A regular meeting of the Franconia Planning Board was held on Monday, March 26, 2012 at the Franconia Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

The meeting opened with discussion about clarification regarding the Planning Board attending a BOS meeting on April 9th. The consensus of the Board would prefer to have at least 2 Selectmen attend a Planning Board meeting. Marilyn will ask Sally to take the Planning Board off the Agenda for April 9th and see if they would be willing to come to next Planning Board meeting on April 9th.

Discussion ensued about the Dairy Bar which is being renovated for a real estate office and whether a building permit had been applied for or whether anyone had come in to the town office to inquire about zoning. After checking with Sally Small it was confirmed that no building permits have been applied for nor had any informal discussion or change of use inquiry been made. This prompted more discussion regarding the fact that no certificate of occupancy is required in the Town of Franconia. The Planning Board finds that the lack of a building inspector hugely impacts how codes and procedures are enforced. The Board reviewed a flowchart of information on the current flow process and then discussed the changes they would like to see implemented which would benefit all departments and the town overall. Mark Hesler drew up a draft which Lydia Cumbee will put in the same format as the current flow chart. These two charts will be used when meeting with the BOS to express the need for a better flow of information and how it will be enforced. Brian Williams will check with the Town of Sugar Hill to see what process they use for businesses and residential homes.

The Mittersill project regarding the merging of non-conforming lots that Nanette was going to work on was mentioned. Since she was absent from the meeting the Board was not sure of the status but was under the impression that it was a project that she wanted to complete

Approval of Minutes -

Mary Grote made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2012 meeting. The motion was seconded by Lydia Cumbee and the minutes were accepted unanimously as submitted.

Nomination of Officers –

Dick Reinhold made a motion to nominate the following for officers of the Planning Board for 2012/2013. Lydia Cumbee seconded it and the motion passed to nominate the following members. The vote will be done at the April 9th meeting.

Chairman.....	Mark Hesler
Vice Chairman	Brian Williams
ZBA Representative.....	Lydia Cumbee
Conservation Commission Rep.....	Mary Grote
NCC Representative	Nanette Avril
Secretary	Marilyn Knowlton

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn L. Knowlton
Secretary