

Planning Board of the Town of East Kingston, N.H.

Minutes of Meeting - January 17, 1979

A regular meeting of the board convened at 9:15 p.m. Members present:

Richard Smith - Chairman
Richard Smith, Jr. - Selectman
W. A. DiProfio
Allan Boudreau
Bruce Levis

The regular meeting started late due to bad weather. A regular meeting was held in order to listen to a presentation by Charles Tucker of the Southeastern Regional Planning Commission. The presentation was to be made to the board and to the Board of Selectmen. Dave Andrezewski, Selectman, was present.

Mr. Tucker explained the functions, finances and organization of the Commission. Two people are assigned to the Board of Directors from member towns. The Board of Directors decides the work to be done by the Commission staff which includes an attorney, an economist, two planners, and several CETA employees. The budget is presently about \$100,000 of which 75% is State and Federal allotments. Member towns pay 60 cents per capita based on the county wide assessment for school funding.

The functions of the Commission are advisory planning for the region whether or not towns are members and specific work requested by member towns from minor problems to master plans. The N. H. Supreme Court decision in the Raymond case mandates a master plan. Raymond and presumably all other towns have two years to develop master plans. Without one, the entire zoning concept of a town can be defeated in court.

Mr. Tucker requested selectmen insert a warrant article for E. Kingston to join the Commission. Cost would be \$627.60 for 1979. A master plan would cost between 12 and 20 thousand if done by a private firm. The Board informed him that we were in the process of setting up a Sounding Board and were embarking on development of our master plan. B. Levis indicated he wanted the plan to reflect E. Kingston thinking as opposed to a standard plan for the region. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

W. A. DiProfio