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East Kingston Planning Board Meeting
Working Session
2 May 1996

Members attending: Chairman Richard Smith, Catherine George, Roby Day

Others attending: Sarah Campbell, Circuit Rider, Larry Smith,
Chairman, Conservation Committee

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM

Minutes: Mrs. George moved that the minutes for the Planning Board working session of 4 April 1996 be accepted as written. Mr. Day seconded. (Vote 3-0)

Stout hearts: Mrs. Campbell, in an attempt to create a more comfortable environment for prospective board members during their scheduled interviews, managed to pull a window shade off the wall. Repair will probably require a tall ladder and a brave heart.

Prospective Board Member interviews: Chairman Smith received five applications from East Kingston residents to fill one Planning Board member vacancy and certain alternate member vacancies. Chairman Smith indicated his desire to nominate three alternates in the event sufficient applicants appear who are qualified.

Applicants who appeared and were interviewed were Mrs. Beverly Fillio, Mr. Edward Johnson, Mrs. Madeline Marshall, and Mr. Robert Nigrello. Questions posed to all applicants included:

- 1) What is the main reason you want to be on the Planning Board?
- 2) What are your thoughts on the question of following the rule of law, be it of our own making (ordinances, procedures, etc) or be it statutory, as opposed to personal judgment based on what might be perceived as best for an individual, a group, or the community?
- 3) What do you understand the differences between Planning Board member and alternate member to be?

Planning Board discussion indicated all candidates appeared qualified and motivated to be active members of the board, and the ensuing vote placed Mr. Edward Johnson as member, with Mrs. Beverly Fillio, Mrs. Madeline Marshall, and Mr. Robert Nigrello as alternate members. (Vote 3-0)

Mrs. Campbell asked how the alternates will be ordered. Chairman Smith indicated he preferred to see them vote "in rotation" in view of their equal qualification, and their equal responsibility to understand and deliberate in the issues before the board.

Hearing notice: The 16 May 1996 Planning Board meeting will include a hearing for a ballot question regarding the newly created commercial zone, for which public notice must be made. Mrs. Campbell indicated she would FAX a notice to the Exeter Newsletter immediately to conform with the RSA. Mr. Day indicated he would prepare a broadsheet for the hearing to explain the ballot proposal.

Planning Board agenda: Discussion ensued regarding anticipated agenda items for the 16 May 1996 Planning Board meeting:

* Mr. Gerry Vincent may appear for information regarding a home occupation.

* It was disclosed that there may be changes to, and expansion of, some kind of enterprise at 10 North Road which might require site plan review. The owner needs to be informed that he may be obligated to approach the Planning Board, and Mr. Day indicated he would check with Mrs. Johnson, Administrative Assistant, regarding relevant correspondence of 12 April 1996.

* Ms. Leslie Hume, Kingston Planning Board, indicated the Kingston Planning Board would hear Mr. Glen Tebo's application for a lot line adjustment on properties at the end of Grand View Terrace, Kingston. The Kingston Planning Board had continued Mr. Tebo's application pending East Kingston's decision regarding his subdivision proposal of the same parcels in our town. East Kingston's denial of Mr. Tebo's proposal on 18 April 1996 puts into question the utility of any lot line adjustment, and Ms. Hume indicated it would be useful were an East Kingston board member to attend the Kingston Planning Board meeting of 7 May 1996. Mr. Day said he would attend to ensure there be no confusion or obfuscation in discussion related to the East Kingston decision.

Master Plan Transp~~o~~rtation chapter: Discussion included the observation that Mrs. Campbell's draft chapter contains considerable "big picture" information that is relevant, but not necessarily useful. Specific local information appears sketchy. It was recommended Mrs. Campbell obtain mapping information from the town road agent, Mr. Bob Rossi, that describes the town roads and their condition.

It was observed that the town may be plowing roads that are private, and ought not to. In the case of roads in developments which have not been accepted by the town, it was posited that the town may have an interest in clearing them in winter, but it would be proper to charge the developer accordingly.

Concern was expressed that the town may not be paying sufficient attention to performance bonds, and developers may be sticking it to East Kingston, e.g. Greystone Road, Evergreen Way.

Scenic roads: Transportation chapter discussion noted that there are no roads in East Kingston designated as "scenic" in accordance with RSA 231. Willow Road was cited as being rather scenic, but the action to designate the road had to be initiated with a petition from landowners.

Chairman Smith observed that repair work of roads is not staying ahead of their deterioration. He further commented there appears to be insufficient money budgeted year to year...

Administrative issues: Chairman Smith stated he would like to see the tables for Planning Board members in the town hall be positioned in a "Vee" to allow members to look each other in the eyeball. With a complete board and three alternates present, such an arrangement ought to enhance discussion and lend a greater sense of involvement.

Growth control ordinance proposal: Mrs. Campbell commented she has not yet heard from Town Counsel Attorney Mike King regarding our draft growth control ordinance. She further indicated it has been almost a month since she wrote Attorney King a letter with the draft, and at least one follow-up telephone call has borne no fruit. Mr. Day stated he would address the issue to Attorney King and the chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

Adjournment: Mrs. George made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Day seconded, and this public session of the East Kingston Planning Board working meeting adjourned at 9:22 PM.

Submitted:

Roby Day

Approved:

Richard A. Smith
Chairman

Catherine George

Roby Day

