

TOWN OF EAST KINGSTON, NH  
PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
June 3, 1998

FILE

WORK SESSION

Members attending: Richard A. Smith Sr. - Chairman, John L. Fillio - Ex-officio, and Catherine J. George.

Absent: Dr. Robert Marston, Edward Johnson, and Alternates Beverly Fillio and Robert Nigrello.

Others attending: Sarah Campbell – RPC Circuit Rider.

Chairman Smith opened this June 3, 1998 Planning Board Work Session at 7:18 p.m. with the roll call.

Future Land Use Map: The Board reviewed the future land use map as presented by Mrs. Campbell. It was noted that land recommended for protection was added by Conservation Commission Chairman Larry Smith. The Board acknowledged the following: land recommended for protection, developed land, town-owned land, undevelopable land and developable land.

The Board requested that the railroad, gas lines and power lines be labeled clearly. They agreed that the next map should indicate high, medium and low developable land to show *all* developable land in East Kingston.

The Board marked and edited the map to reflect a more precise replica of developed and undeveloped land. They considered and added other proposed parcels for preservation/protection.

When considering lands for protection, the Board questioned why such parcels have been focuses mostly on the wetlands. It was the consensus of some members that the wetlands were already considered protected by the state and wetlands ordinance. Wetlands are not developable to begin with. It was requested the focus be on the higher and drier lands for protection.

It was stated that although the wetlands may be considered protected, property owners and developers continually apply and receive dredge and fill permits allowing for development.

In reviewing the future land use map, it was noted that the future land would be needed for the expansion of building a new school and new police and fire stations. With the growth of the town, these items would be unavoidable.

The State Board of Education recommends that elementary schools have five acres of useable land plus one additional for every 100 students. The East Kingston Elementary School currently has eight acres and 171 students. By the year 2000, it is expected the school will have outgrown its acreage capacity as only 300 students can be accommodated at the site (enrollment is projected to exceed 300 by the year 2000). This needs to be considered when identifying the future land uses and needs of the town.

PLANNING BOARD MEMBER HOMEWORK to be completed and discussed at the June 18, 1998 regular meeting is for each member to consider and choose three parcels in town that they would personally recommend for protection/preservation. Members are to be prepared to state reasons why they chose their parcels.

Members may want to consider and include for discussion, land recommended for future land uses and future zoning districts.

The Board then reviewed the agenda for the June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

With no further business,

MOTION: Mr. Fillio motioned to adjourn. Mrs. George second. The motion passed 3-0 and this June 3, 1998 planning board work session ended at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

✓ Catherine Belcher  
Secretary

Minutes completed and on file June 4, 1998.