

Town of Greenville, New Hampshire
Planning Board
Minutes
Thursday, November 9, 2017

The Greenville Planning Board met on **Thursday, November 9, 2017 at 7:00 pm** in the Town Hall, 46 Main Street, Greenville, NH 03048.

In attendance were Chairman Ed White, BOS Ex-Officio Scott Tenney, Member Michael Sadowski & Member Miles Horsley.

CALLED TO ORDER

Chairman White called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

PLANNING BOARD/BOARD OF SELECTMEN – JOINT SESSION – ROUTE 31 TRAFFIC & SAFETY CONCERNS

Present: Police Chief Jim McTague

Chairman White began the discussion by stating that the meeting tonight was not about enforcement. He stated that if residents have an issue with that, they should address it directly with the Police Department. He said that the meeting tonight was to discuss ways that the town can work with the NH State Department of Transportation to make that section of Route 31 safer for traveling and that Chief McTague will provide the Board with guidance and input based on his experience.

Chief McTague noted that there are not many accidents in that area – he said the problem is that many businesses are going up in the same area creating traffic. He said he thinks the town needs to plan for the widening of that road because evidentially there's going to be a turning lane down the center of the road.

Chief McTague stated that Greenville has been a merged department for 12 years and in that span, the town has added at least ten new businesses on Route 31. Chairman White stated that this is the reason why the Planning Board is acting so proactively for safety measures before there is a deadly accident in that area.

Chief McTague recommended that the Planning Board reach out to the State to see what their plans were for a turning lane. He stated that when the Planning Board meets with any future businesses, they should ensure their plan meets the proper setbacks so the road can be widened.

42 Member Sadowski stated that his concern is with the number of new businesses going in within a span
43 of 200 meters along that road. He asked what the Planning Board could do to reduce the speed on
44 that road. Chief McTague stated that the town should request a "traffic survey". This would allow the
45 State DOT to provide the town with an estimate of the average speed of vehicles and how that can be
46 adjusted.

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48 Discussion followed regarding the amount of traffic that travels through the towns. He stated that the
49 Town of Temple averages about 15,000 cars per day traveling on Route 101. He said the Country Mile
50 gets 10,000 customers a week which brings in large volumes of people on that road. He said that
51 "southern New Hampshire is becoming northern Massachusetts" and growing each year. Chief
52 McTague recommended that the town contact the NHDOT and ask for a traffic survey. Members
53 agreed.

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55 Discussion followed regarding the need for signage to direct tractor trailer trucks using Pleasant & Mill
56 Streets in order to gain access to Old Wilton Road. Chairman White stated that the road was too
57 narrow to accommodate those types of vehicles. Chief McTague stated that there are concerns with
58 GPS in these trucks when they come into Greenville and access these roads.

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60 Board members recommended asking for signage in the following locations:

- 61 1. Intersection of NH Route 31 and Pleasant Street which will direct trucks looking for Old Wilton
62 Road to remain on Route 31 northbound.
- 63 2. Intersection of NH Route 31 and Mill Street which will direct traffic to remain on Route 31
64 northbound.
- 65 3. Intersection of NH Route 31 and Old Wilton Road which would direct traffic to turn left onto
66 Old Wilton Road and signage would direct trucks traveling southbound to turn right on Old
67 Wilton Road.
- 68 4. Intersection of Main Street, Route 31 and Old Wilton Road which would designate Old Wilton
69 Road for trucks ending up in the center of town.

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71 Chairman White will contact a representative in the NHDOT Bureau of Traffic. He stated that he would
72 send a letter outlining the town's concerns. Members thanked Chief McTague for his time and input.

73 74 ZONING ORDINANCE

75 Members agreed to table discussion to the next meeting. S. Tenney motioned to table discussion to
76 their next meeting on December 14, 2017, Chairman White 2nd. *VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.*

77 78 2017 YEAR TO DATE (OCTOBER) BUDGET REPORT REVIEW

79 Members reviewed the report. No action was taken.

80 81 MINUTES

82 S. Tenney motioned to approve the minutes of October 19, 2017 as written, Member Sadowski 2nd.
83 *VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.*

BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION

2018 Schedule of Planning Board Meetings – Deb provided members with a copy of the 2018 meeting schedule and application deadline and stated that she will be putting it on the Planning Board’s website.

Master Plan – Deb stated that she received an email from Lisa Murphy inquiring about a date for a public hearing to adopt the Master Plan. Member Sadowski motioned to schedule a public hearing for January 11, 2018 at 7:00 pm, Member Horsley 2nd. *VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.*

ADJOURNMENT:

Member Sadowski motioned to adjourn at 7:45 pm, Member Horsley 2nd. *VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.*

NEXT PLANNING BOARD MEETING: Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Debra A. Butcher

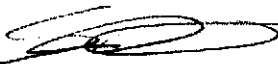
APPROVED BY:
Greenville Planning Board



Edward White, Chairman



Michael Sadowki, Member



Scott Tenney, BOS Ex-Officio



Miles Horsley, Member

Rob Duval, Member - **ABSENT**