

**Town of Gorham  
Planning Board Minutes  
March 22, 2012**

**Members Present:** Daniel Buteau (7:28 pm), Wayne Flynn, Michael Guay, Bruno Janicki (Alt), Earl McGillicuddy, John Losier (Alt) Paul Robitaille, Michael Waddell (Chairman)

**Excused:** Barney Valliere

Other: Robin Frost, John Scarinza, Jay Holmes  
Meeting called to order at 7 pm by Chairman Waddell.

**Election of Officers:** Since members have an excused absence did they want to wait until next meeting to for the election. The general consensus was to have the election, since you don't know month-to-month if all will ever be in attendance. Alternates did not have a vote.

Michael Guay nominated Wayne Flynn to the Chairman's position, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Robitaille. All in favor.  
Mike Waddell nominated Mike Guay to the Vice-Chairman's position, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne Flynn. All in favor.

John Losier asked about the term of the alternates and them being reassigned. He stated he is no longer a part of the Budget Committee. There was a general discussion concerning the length of an alternates term and current alternates continuing or being re-appointed. Paul Robitaille made a motion to table the appointment of alternates until next meeting, giving time to research then act upon it when they have all the facts; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Michael Guay. All were in favor.

**Appointment of Secretary:** A motion was made by Mike Waddell to appoint Barney Valliere as secretary, it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Guay. All were in favor.

**Review of , February 16, 2012 Minutes:** Motion made to accept as written by Michael Guay, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Robitaille. All were in favor.

**Review of Commercial Building Permits:**

1. AT & T and KJK Wireless on the Pine Mountain Antenna – discussion as to what they wanted to do and where they are in the process. Church is unsure of their part and what is needed. Paul Robitaille made a motion to Grant the permit pending the approval letter from the property owner; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne Flynn. All were in favor.
2. Marlena Schilke- Methodist Church antenna- John Scarinza does not have this, it has already been signed off on and is gone. They did an antenna up grade. Paul Robitaille made a motion to Grant the upgrade; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne Flynn. All were in favor.

There was further discussion concerning the old tower and the conditions of approval surrounding the approval for the new tower. Wayne Flynn will consult with Michelle Lutz . Robin stated the grant, to move Gorham's repeater from the tower, has been submitted and they are waiting for approval. If they get the grant they will be moving to the new tower.

3. Jay Holmes – submitted plans to move a container that is on the side of his business next to the river to the back next to his other container. He is also requesting to remove a wooden fence

and expansion for a large outdoor lift. Jay states he is using the Best Practice Plans for oil spills (up to 12 quarts). He submitted blueprints and explained all he is doing and wants to accomplish.

John Scarinza feels the container will fall into the setbacks. He requested a copy of the Best Practices for Planning Board Review. Paul Robitaille request that, plus a letter from the person from the state who Jay has been consulting with to state what guidelines told before approval is granted. It was further requested, by Mike Waddell, that Mr. Holmes have Burke Yorke make the requested changes on the submitted blueprints (container and sign) showing it meets setback requirements. Mr. Holmes has agreed to do this.

The banner's around town was discussed; there is a time limit as to how long they can stay up. They will be further reviewed, this may want to change.

Shoreline Protection Act- North Country Council's assistance may be needed to help determine what the best course of action should be. Paul Robitaille warned they need to be careful they don't put themselves into another bracket. Robin stated the selectmen agree they need to be careful and will have it looked into before acting. John Scarinza stated it would be great to get Tara Bamford to sit in. Robin agreed to contact someone from DES to come speak/assist them.

John Scarinza will be meeting with someone next week who will be applying for a permit on a lot with no town frontage.

#### Board Priorities for 2012:

Warrant Articles – get them written early so they are ready in timely manner for Town Meeting

Shore Line Protection Act

New Flood Maps

Private Road

Minor Site Plan Review

Code Enforcement Officer

Storage Containers – Mike Waddell states we need a definition from the state. Paul Robitaille feels it should be treated like a shed.

#### Old Business – None

New Business – Discussed John Scarinza and his duties as Code Enforcement Officer and Paul Robitaille thanked Mike Waddell for his years of service as the Planning Board Chairman and welcomed Wayne Flynn as the new Chairman.

#### Residential Building Permits:

Scott & Paula Labnon -Submitted a request to merging of lots U25/14 for 25 Crestway and U25/13. It was agreed this would be a non-issue.

Next Meeting – April 12, 2012 at 7:00 pm

Adjournment –Motion made by Mike Waddell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Robitaille, all were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharon Amero