



**TOWN OF MADISON
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**APPROVED MINUTES
AUGUST 2, 2017**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Marc Ohlson, David Cribbie, Paul Marks, Paul Littlefield, Andrew Smith. Also present was Linda Shackford as Recording Secretary.

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Vice-Chairman Noreen Downs, Selectmen's Rep. John Arruda, Alternate Philip LaRoche, Administrator Colleen King.

OTHERS PRESENT: Madison TV Videographer Carol Dandeneau.

POSTING DATE and LOCATIONS: 06/24/17 at Madison Town Hall - upper and lower levels, Madison and Silver Lake Post Offices.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Ohlson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES: A quorum was present with no alternates to appoint.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: **Motion** by Cribbie, seconded by Marks, to approve the August 2, 2017 Agenda. **The motion passed unanimously.**

APPROVAL OF THE July 5, 2017 DRAFT MINUTES: **Motion** by Cribbie, seconded by Marks, to approve the July 5, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. **The motion passed unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Review letter to Baron Trust Re: Coleman Excavation-

Chairman Ohlson confirmed that the Board has seen the letter sent to Baron Trust regarding discussion from the July 5, 2107 meeting. The advice of the Board's attorney was to send the letter asking for more information instead of the Cease and Desist. Chairman Ohlson signed the letter on July 19th and it was received by Coleman on July 21st with 30 days to respond.

Discuss Whether to Hire an Excavation Consultant to Inspect-

Chairman Ohlson noted that the Planning Board is the regulator and enforcer in regards to Excavation Regulations. Chairman Ohlson feels that the Town would be better suited hiring an expert for any review of the gravel pits. Marks asked if there is a Town Engineer. Chairman

Ohlson responded no, it would be hired by the Board; adding that this Board's budget does not have funds to support such an expense this year. The Board agreed that a new line in the 2018 budget for such expenses should be added. It was specified that it be its own line so it would have the opportunity to be voted on at Town Meeting.

The Board reviewed Ledge Pond Road Excavation plans submitted to NH DES in 2008 that reflected current conditions and proposed excavation. The plans met DES requirements but did not meet the Town's Excavation Regulations. There is no current Alteration of Terrain in effect for the area of Ledge Pond.

There will be a representative from DES coming to the site soon to review. There is new excavation off Eagle Lane that does not have proper Alteration of Terrain permits filed. The excavation of the banking along Ledge Pond Road has left a very steep edge close to the road. Coleman's is attempting some reclamation. Smith asked if Coleman's has done something wrong. The Board questioned the pitch of the excavation but not sure. Cribbie's biggest concern is the elevation of the pit in relation to the bottom of Ledge Pond.

Chairman Ohlson offered the Board two options: 1) Vote to hire an engineer to review; or 2) Ask Coleman to offer a site tour to the Board within the next 30 days with someone to explain the layout.

Motion by Littlefield, seconded by Cribbie, to contact Mr. Coleman with a request for a site visit tour and provide personnel able to explain elevations of the pit and pond.

The motion passed unanimously. Marks will make copies of plans to use as reference.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: No items.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT: No items.

CORRESPONDENCE: Notification from the Sandwich Planning Board regarding an excavation permit from Ambrose Bros. Inc. was received 07/26/2017. The reason the Town was notified was because it was decided by the Sandwich Planning Board that it had a regional impact. No action will be taken by the Board.

ADMINISTRATION: The Town Clerk sent notice that there are two vacant seats for Planning Board Alternates with terms ending in 2018 and 2019. If anyone is interested please contact the office.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Cribbie, seconded by Littlefield to adjourn the meeting. **The motion passed unanimously.** The meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Shackford
Recording Secretary

These Minutes were approved at the September 6, 2017 meeting.

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