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PLANNING BOARD MINUTES August 7, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Marc Ohlson; Paul Littlefield: Paul Marks: Dave Cribbie Selectman John Arruda and Alternate Phil LaRoche,

OTHERS PRESENT: Madison TV Carol Dandeneau; Land Use Administrator Colleen King, Bryan Berlind, Brian Porusta, Sheriff Dominic Richardi, Sheriff Michael Santuccio, Nancy Cole, Jay Buckley, Denita and Steve Dudley, Madison Police Chief Bob King, Claudia Kellar, Don and Darlene Burnham, Paul King and Maylo Kellar.

POSTING DATES & LOCATIONS: July 18, 2019 at the Madison and Silver Lake Post Offices and the Madison Town Hall, upper and lower levels.

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

ELEVATION OF ALTERNATES: Mr. Marks made a **MOTION** to elevate Alternate Phil LaRoche to full member for tonight's meeting; Mr. Littlefield seconded. All Approved.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mrs. King added CIP and New Members under New Business. **Motion** by Mr. Marks seconded by Mr. LaRoche to approve the agenda, as amended. The motion passed 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Mr. Marks, seconded by Mr. Littlefield to approve the minutes of June 5, 2019 as written. The motion passed **5-0**.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Ohlson opened the meeting for Public Comment. Hearing none, he closed the Public Comment section of the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING - E911 CELL TOWER: Mr. Ohlson recused himself from the first Public Hearing case as he is an abutter. Mr. Littlefield chaired this portion of the meeting. Sheriff Richardi and Santuccio explained that the Carroll County Sheriff's Department will be replacing an existing 60 ft communications tower which is located on the top of Oak Hill in the Village District of Edelweiss, Map 101 Lot 20. The free-standing 110ft replacement tower is currently being used in Ossipee to allow the microwave antenna above the tree line and eliminate dead zones for emergency personnel. There will be 2 small dishes on the tower. Police Chief King stated that a tall tower is critical for communications from Kancamagus and the surrounding campgrounds. Sheriff Richardi stated that this \$1.2M project is being funded by a NH Emergency Management Grant with no cost to the taxpayers and will enhance the E911 system to specifically address the communication gaps for both Police and Fire First Responders. **PUBLIC COMMENT**: Mr. Littlefield opened the Public Comment portion of this Hearing.

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Denita Dudley inquired about the new tower height compared to the current tower height. Sheriff Richardi stated that it will be 50' higher.

Claudia Kellar asked about the tower location.

Sheriff Ricardi answered that it will be a larger footing with no guy-wires in the same location. The plans for this project have been ongoing since 2014 and must be completed by July 2020. Jay Buckley asked about the dishes, the color of the steel and any testing or blasting that may need to be done. He is concerned with the 45,000 gal underground water storage tanks in VDOE that could be impacted with any blasting.

Brian Porusta stated that the tower is galvanized gray steel with 2 gray & white microwave dishes – 1dish faces Ossipee and 1 dish faces Conway. There are structural and soil engineers involved with this plan to address all concerns. The block structure pad will have sonar tube design.

Mr. Arruda asked about lighting on the tower. Sheriff said that there will be no lighting on this 110' tower as the FAA only requires lighting on towers 200' from the ground.

Mr. Littlefield closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

BOARD DISCUSSION: Mr. Marks asked if the current tower has been inspected by a structural engineer and the age of the tower. Sheriff Richardi said that the current tower was erected in 2002 and is in great shape.

Mr. Littlefield closed this Public Hearing.

PRELIMINARY REVIEW - 2 Lot Subdivision Plan on Lead Mine Road, Map 246/ Lot 12. Mr. Paul King presented the preliminary plans for this plan with 200' frontage. There will be an easement for the back lots shown on the deed and the plan. The complete subdivision application will be presented at the September Planning Board.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Ohlson read a letter from DES to Coleman regarding their excavation activity. Mr. Burnham, an abutter to the Coleman property stated that NH Fish & Game claim that the road referenced is a Class 6 road. In the original Letter of Deficiency, Coleman only addressed items 1 through 4. There was much discussion regarding the Town never giving permission to Coleman to move the Road. The Board asked that the Town Attorney be consulted regarding their concerns and be discussed at the September meeting.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: None

SELECTMEN'S REPORT: The MEAC Solar Panel project is a dead issue. It was not financially feasible with no savings to be gained.

CORRESPONDENCE/ ADMINISTRATION: Department Heads were sent out CIP letters for the next 6 years. Mrs. King will populate the CIP spreadsheet with the proposals.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mr. Cribbie, seconded by Mr. Littlefield to adjourn the meeting. Passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:54pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Colleen King, Madison Land Use Administrator

These minutes were APPPROVED at the September 4, 2019 Planning Board Meeting.