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Effingham Planning Board
January 6, 2014

Members Present: George Bull, Joanna Bull, Gary Jewell, Bill Piekut, Paul Potter

Members Absent: Jory Augenti, Henry Spencer

Others Present: Barbara Thompson

Minutes recorded by Dianne Park

Meeting called to order at 6:34pm.

Minutes

There was a motion by George, seconded by Gary, to approve the minutes from December 5, 2013 as written. All were in favor.

Correspondence:

- FYI: West Parsonfield Citizens Association-possible site plan review in future
- FYI: Expired Building Permit-229 Libby Rd. – expired permit for deck & shed
- Carroll County Registry of Deeds: Plat Requirements
 - Received a note of do's and don'ts for plan requirements.
 - Copy of letter will be placed with each application.

Old Business

Structures

Matt Serge suggested wording for Section 103 *'No structure, including accessory buildings, shall be constructed, erected, placed, or altered and no land use commenced or continued within the Town of Effingham except as specifically or by necessary implication authorized by this Ordinance and having first secured a building permit from the enforcement officer.'*

Travel Trailers

Continued from November 21st Work Session. Discussion was about:

"Number of travel trailers allowed on a lot: Discussion centered on the definitions between RVs and travel trailers and the number allowed on a lot without becoming a campground. Rebecca pointed out that the ZO definition for an RV includes travel trailers. The board decided to check the RSA's regarding travel trailers and make sure there is no conflict with the ZO."

Joanna will search her emails for correspondence from Matt Serge on this subject.

Hobby

Henry was supposed to ask Matt Serge about the definition of 'hobby'. This was continued because of Henry's absence from this meeting.

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Timber Harvesting and Wetlands/Steep Slopes

George informed the board that the Planning Board cannot add conditions to Timber Harvesting, these have to come from the state. Because of this these changes were made:

Section 1605 of the Zoning Ordinance

Section 1605.C was changed to 1605.D
Section 1605.C.1 was changed to 1605.C

Section 1607.F

Reads: *'Timber harvesting and agricultural activities as described in Section 1605 that occur inside of or within 150 feet of an Exemplary Wetland'*

Change to: *'Agricultural activities as described in Section 1605 that occur inside of or within 150 feet of an Exemplary Wetland'*

Removal of 'Timber harvesting and'

Section 1705

Remove 1705 A, B & C

Change to read: *'Timber harvesting and forestry operations which (a) utilize best management practices as described in Best management Practices for Erosion Control on Timber Harvesting Operations in NH (Best Management Practices for Forestry: protecting New Hampshire's Water Quality, 2005; <http://extension.unh.edu/Forestry/Pubs/BMPBook.pdf>); (b) comply with all applicable state laws are permitted use and do not require a special use permit.'*

There was a motion by Paul, seconded by Bill, to accept all changes to Sections 1605, 1607 & 1705 of the Effingham Zoning Ordinance. All were in favor.

A hearing will be held on Wednesday, January 22, 2014 for:

- Steep Slope & Wetlands (sections 1605, 1607 & 1705)
- Map changes to the Lord's Hill Historic District
- Conflict of being in 2 districts

Joanna received correspondence from the Selectmen to come before their board and validate the need for increasing the Planning Board 2014 budget. This budget was increased because of training. All agreed to keep the 2014 Planning Board budget the same as 2013. Joanna will inform Selectmen.

There was a motion by Paul, seconded by Bill, to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.