## PLANNING BOARD TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

## December 17, 2019 MINUTES

Planning Board Members Present: A. Arnold (ex-off), G. Bernstein, K. Fitzgerald, L. Kunhardt, S. Pyle Planning Board Members Absent: B. Hardwick, R. Lindgren Alternates Present: L. Heath; Alternates Absent: T. Anderson, Jr Others Present: Jason Pearl, H. Kunhardt, S. Heath L. Kunhardt is taking the minutes.

The meeting was brought to order at 7:19pm.

<u>New Business:</u> Jason Pearl, Gen. Manager, Crotchet Mountain Ski Resort apprises board of preliminary consideration for possible proposal to expand CMDR. snow making ponds (50% or 30%). Discussion ensued. No draft plan available. Pond expansion area likely in Bennington. Francestown wants to be included in any planning/discussion/meeting/hearing with Bennington and/or associated regional towns. PBoard asks J. Pearl copy of submittal of winter 2019-2020 Night Ski Dates to Board of Selectmen (CMSR NOD continuing requirement).

Announcements and Communications: 1) Eversource requests a scenic road hearing for a portion of Old County Rd. N. Discussion. Will schedule 1/7/2020; 2) receipt revised/corrected 2020-2025 CIP schedule recommended by PB 11/19/2019. Revision shows \$10,000.00 Annivierasery amount will come from donations and a \$255,000 DPW truck from 2025 is removed; 3) Cell Tower Public Hearing, Town of Pelham, NH;

New Business: BOS requests opinion from Planning Board re: release of Ski Slope Easement M8/L16-2. Easement release will facilitate a septic/leach field system upgrade for Mountain Maintenance in a manner beneficial to both the Town of Francestown and the immediate neighborhood. Motion: L. Kunhardt moves to recommend to the selectmen a release from an easement relative to skiing between involved parties and M8/L16-2. Second: S.Pyle Vote: (favor) G. Bernstein, L. Kunhardt, K. Fitzgerald, L. Heath, S. Pyle, A. Arnold. Unanimous

<u>Unfinished Business:</u> Steep slopes. Continue previous discussions re: steep slope questions. Discussion ensues. 100<sup>ft</sup> vs number of contour lines? Continued discussion. Input from H. Kunhardt. Input from S. Heath. More discussion. <u>Motion:</u> L. Kunhardt moves to add two definitions to the ZO Art. VIII Definitions. One for steep slopes of 15% to less than 25% ... "when there are eight (8) adjacent contour intervals of two (2) feet each such that, in aggregate, they delineate a slope of at least fifteen (15) percent but less than 25%"; and one for steep slopes of 25% or more ... "when there are eight (8) adjacent contour intervals of two (2) feet each such that, in aggregate, they delineate a slope of at least twenty-five (25) percent" both .Both new definitions will contain language " <u>Second:</u> S. Pyle <u>Vote:</u> (favor) G. Bernstein, L. Kunhardt, K. Fitzgerald, L. Heath, S. Pyle; (opposed) A. Arnold

Next meeting: 6:30pm on tuesday Jan.21, 2020

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.