

**Lyme Planning Board Minutes
June/10/2015**

Board Members and Staff Present: John Stadler, Chair; Tim Cook, Vice Chair; C Jay Smith, Select Board Representative; Vicki Smith, Member; Eric Furstenberg, Alternate; David Robbins, Planning and Zoning Administrator.

Board Members Absent: Ursula Slate, Member; Freda Swan, Alternate

Members of the Public Present: None

John opened the meeting at 7:00pm

Item 1: Acceptance of minutes from May/28/2015

The minutes were accepted with minor edits from John.

Item 2: Zoning Ordinance

Objectives for the Wetlands Conservation District.

It has been noted to the planning and zoning administrator that section 3.27.1 does not list the objectives for the wetlands conservation district as are listed for the other conservation districts.

John proposed the following language:

The primary objective of the wetlands conservation district is to protect the Town's wetlands from despoliation or unregulated alteration and thereby to preserve the integrity of these areas, optimizing the following: 1) proper drainage, 2) flood control,3) drinking water, 4) wildlife (including hunting, fishing and related commerce), 5) recreation, 6) aesthetics all for the purpose of the public good.

The Board members will review Johns proposed language and discuss it or alternatives at the next meeting on June 25, 2015.

Item 3) Other Business

John asked the planning and zoning administrator to prepare a list all the proposed amendments to date for the June 25, 2015 meeting.

John had been asked to give an overview, for the ageing in place citizen group, describing the ways in which senior housing could be created under the Lyme Zoning Ordinance. John asked the Board to review his following discussion points.

- 1) Accessory dwelling units.
- 2) Lot size averaging subdivision
- 3) Planned development.

The Board noted that there are ways under the ordinance to aid seniors with their housing issues but these methods are not specific to senior housing and that without a piece of property and a plan to work from, it is difficult to give advice to the group on how they should proceed.

Plan for the Lyme Common.

Vicki had noted in an Email forwarded by the Administrator that the Safe Roads to School program no longer exists but there were alternatives that could be pursued. These alternatives would require studies to be completed to prove need. The Board felt that if this was to go forward then it should have greater citizen involvement. The Board recommends that a Pedestrian Advisory Board be created that will be comprised of residence to look into ways the common area could be made safer for pedestrians.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

David A. Robbins

Lyme Planning and Zoning Administrator.