# TOWN OF EATON PLANNING BOARD March 8, 2023

The Planning Board held their regular meeting at the Eaton Town Hall on Wednesday, March 8, 2023. Present were Chairman Dennis Sullivan, Judy Wilson, Kevin Conklin, John Hedden, Stanley Dudrick and Selectmen's Representative Ed Reilly. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

### Review of Minutes

The Board reviewed and amended the Minutes of February 8, 2023. *Kevin Conklin made a motion, seconded by John Hedden, to adopt the Minutes as amended. Motion unanimously carried by roll call vote.* 

#### Select Board Report

Ed Reilly gave an overview of a recent incident at Town Hall and noted that there is training available on how to handle first amendment audits.

### **Conservation Commission Report**

Chairman Sullivan gave an update on the Conservation Commission and explained that the Commission is working to secure a picker for the blueberry fields. Dennis Sullivan stated that the Commission has applied for a grant through the NH Fish & Game Department and that the Foss Mountain burn has been tentatively scheduled for Spring 2023.

#### Administration

Chairman Sullivan read a proposed amendment to the Planning Board Rules of Procedure. Section III (Meetings) will be amended to state that the regular meeting will be held on the third Wednesday of the month. *Kevin Conklin made a motion, seconded by Judy Wilson, to adopt the proposed change. Motion unanimously carried by roll call vote.* It was noted that the next Planning Board meeting will be held on April 19<sup>th</sup>.

Chairman Sullivan presented HB655 and noted that all Board members should read the Bill as it will directly affect Planning Boards and change the qualifications required for Soil Scientists.

Chairman Sullivan noted that Green Mountain Conservation Group will be sponsoring a presentation on culverts and crossings on the Saco River.

## Zoning Ordinance Amendments

The Board reviewed a proposed amendment to the Wetland Conservation Overlay Zone. Stan Dudrick questioned whether the Town should adopt the State definition of a wetland. Chairman Sullivan noted that the proposed wetland buffer is to protect wildlife in those areas. John Hedden questioned whether the Town should require that septic systems be inspected when a property is sold. Chairman Sullivan noted that he is unsure as to whether Towns can require an inspection. The Board discussed whether the Conservation Commission should be involved in properties other than Town Land. Chairman Sullivan will update this amendment for the Board's review at their next meeting.

*Kevin Conklin made a motion, seconded by Stan Dudrick, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried by roll call vote.* The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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