

## **Town of Conway**

### **Minutes of the Conway Planning Board Meeting, December 3, 2015**

Present: Chairman Joseph Strzegowski, Tami Borton, Mary McClintock, Sue McFarland, Andy Jaffe (A) and David Chichester.

Absent: None

Guests: None

Chairman Strzegowski opened the meeting at 7:03 p.m. in the Conway Town Office.

1. The minutes of the November 5, 2015, regular meeting were approved as written. Unanimous.
2. Mr. Strzegowski reported on the most recent (which was the first) meeting of the four towns that had joined in coalition to address Pipeline issues. There was a conference call with Ms Carolyn Elefant, advisor to the group. Discussion involved the subject of filing for intervener status. Mr. Strzegowski also mentioned they were looking to identify standards and means for enforcing protective measures against damage to roads and stream crossings caused by pipeline construction. The issues pertaining to the impact of blasting on water quality in nearby areas appear significant.

#### **ACTION PLAN:**

- Mr. Strzegowski will convey to the Chair of the Conway Pipeline Committee the PB's consensus opinion that the risk of potential damage to water quality by the pipeline construction is significant and the suggestion that, since this is such a broad concern, the FRCOG should get involved.

Ms McFarland reported that the local Conway Pipeline Committee had met and had voted to proceed with application for intervener status. They are attempting to schedule an open meeting in town to encourage public dialogue. They also discussed how to get through, in a meaningful and responsible way, review and analysis of the 21,000 page application document filed by Kinder Morgan.

3. There was discussion of the model bylaws drafted by the FRCOG and the Regional Pipeline Committee being posed to the participating towns. It was agreed that almost all of the language in the model is appropriate to Conway and should be readied for presentation to the next Town Meeting. It was noted that Conway's earlier suggestions had been incorporated into the second draft (dated 11-16-2015). And clearly, the PB has outreach work to do to help educate townspeople and, through public hearings, make the final language ready to be incorporated into the General Bylaws.

#### **ACTION PLAN:**

- Mr. Strzegowski will work to finalize the language into appropriate format for presentation to the next Town Meeting.

4. Regarding projects pending Protective Bylaw revisions and preparation for presentation to Town Meeting:

- The PB had earlier asked the Energy Committee to help draft a Solar Bylaw. No response was received, so the PB voted to defer further work on that subject at this time.
- Mr. Strzegowski will “tweak” the language and make minor changes based on last year’s proposal of Cottage Industry provisions. **ACTION PLAN: Mr. Strzegowski.**
- Ms Borton will, based on earlier PB discussions on this subject, re-write the language pertaining to unregistered vehicles (Section 32.5) **ACTION PLAN: Ms Borton.**

5. There was brief conversation about the possibility of a future application for a Special Permit for a new cell tower in town. The situation could involve issues of land currently being in agricultural restriction, among other considerations.

6. There was discussion about the upcoming budget process and the Planning Board’s needs for funds in fiscal year 2017.

**ACTION PLAN:**

- Mr. Strzegowski will work up details for submission to the Town Administrator, based on the discussion.

There being no further business, the members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next two meetings of the Planning Board will be on Thursday, December 17, 2015, immediately following the Town’s Christmas Party, and Thursday January 7, 2016, at 7:00 in the Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,  
David I Chichester