

Middleton, NH Zoning Board Minutes
May 5, 2021

Call to order at 6:35pm

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Roll Call: Chuck Therriault, Vicki Croteau, Ken Anderson, Jimmy Keegan present.
Lorri Gunnison and Joe Varga (BOS) excused.

Old Business:

Approve minutes from the April 21, 2021 meeting. Vicki Croteau made the motion. It was seconded by Jimmy Keegan. All were in favor.

The new members that were present have been sworn in.

New Business:

Vicki asked what exactly a Mission Statement was and how did it impact the Zoning Board. Mary discussed how it is the root of what we are doing for the town. It is the first thing the public and residents reads and speaks volumes of how our town is viewed by others.

Mary had taken 3 other town's mission statements and put it to paper for the Board. Vicki brought to us a Mission Statement she found as well. The Board took time to read them and agreed we could implement bits and pieces of each to compile our Mission Statement.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the best wording for the Zoning Board's Mission statement.

Here is what the Board came up with:

"The Zoning Board's mission is to promote the health, safety, convenience and general welfare of the population of the Town of Middleton, NH. Additionally, to conserve the rural and recreational value of properties, while encouraging commercial development, including opportunity for home-based business, to broaden the tax base and employ residents."

Chuck Therriault made the motion to accept the Mission statement and Vicki Croteau seconded. All were in favor.

Ken Anderson made a statement regarding the Planning Board's role in our process. Chuck Therriault agrees the Planning Board and the Zoning Board need to work together. Ken Anderson is going to reach out to the Regional Planning Commission to determine the order.

There was a quick discussion about next meeting and what type of zoning we want for the town. As is or change to a broader option. We all agreed that Sunrise Lake, etc. will need to be separate and dealt with differently. The board is looking for our present zoning map. Mary will be searching. There will be a lot of legal involvement in all we do. Presently, there is no budget for the Zoning Board.

Meeting as adjourned at 7:40pm

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Knapp
Zoning Board Chairman