

**PLANNING BOARD
27 School Street
HILLSBOROUGH, NH
February 17, 2016**

DATE APPROVED: March 2, 2016

TIME: 6:59 p.m. – 7:35 p.m.

CHAIRMAN: Herman Wiegelman

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN: Donald Solomon

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN: Denise DeForest

MEMBERS: Gary Sparks, John Penny and Larry Baker

EX-OFFICIO: James C. Bailey, III

PLANNING DIRECTOR: Robyn Payson

ALTERNATES PRESENT: Pamela Stohrer

EXCUSED: James C. Bailey, III

MEMBERS of the PUBLIC: Brett Cherrington, Alan Roe, Bonnie Kurylo, Kevin Duhaine, Laurel Boivin and Nicholas Golon.

CALL to ORDER:

Chairman Wiegelman called the meeting to order at 6:59 p.m.

MINUTES:

Chairman Wiegelman entertained a motion to accept the minutes of January 20, 2016.

Mr. Baker made a motion to approve the minutes of January 20, 2016 as presented. Mrs. DeForest seconded the motion. The Board voted all in favor.

PUBLIC MEETING:

Conceptual Site Plan:

Eversource

8 Sawmill Road, Map 11G/Lot 307

Ms. Boivin explained the need to upgrade the Jackman Hydro Facility located at 8 Sawmill Road. She introduced the other members of the team.

Mr. Sparks asked Mrs. Payson if the application is complete and ready to be accepted.

Mrs. Payson said no formal application has been submitted, this is only a conceptual plan for the Board's review.

Ms. Boivin said the need for this plan is to improve and upgrade the substation with newer equipment.

Mr. Golon read from the February 10, 2016 letter sent to Mrs. Payson: Eversource is seeking approval for a new 1,300 sf. control enclosure and a 1,000 sf. expansion of the existing substation yard located at the Jackman Hydro Facility on Sawmill Road. The proposed control enclosure, which monitors the electrical equipment within the substation, is needed to provide updated controls to meet system requirements. Existing electrical equipment within the substation yard is also proposed to be upgraded, which facilitates the need for an expansion of the substation yard along the northeast face. The purpose of these improvements is to provide increased reliability of service to the immediate area and replace outdated equipment that is approaching the end of its useful life. These improvements will allow Eversource to continue to provide customers in the Hillsborough area with safe and reliable electricity. If approved, the facility upgrades would be constructed during the late spring/early summer of 2016, with an anticipated in-service date of late spring 2017.

He continued by reviewing with the Board the proposed plan in more detail.

Mrs. Payson asked about impervious material within the floodplain.

Mr. Golon said that because of a previous variance that would not be an issue and no new impervious material was being proposed. He then went over the conceptual plan of the building.

Mr. Sparks made a motion to schedule a site walk on Saturday, February 20 at 10:00 a.m. Mr. Baker seconded the motion.

Mr. Solomon recused himself from the site walk because he is an abutter to the property.

The Board voted all in favor.

Master Plan Update:

Mr. Baker said two chapters, Natural Resources and Transportation, are in final draft form. He said they are moving on to the Hillsborough Today Chapter which will include all the demographics, community facilities and economics. He said they will be involving the Economic Development Committee.

Mrs. Payson said she will be bringing this up to the Economic Development Committee at their next meeting.

The Board would like to review the chapters as they are finalized instead of trying to review the entire document all at once.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mrs. Payson brought the Board up to date on the Weatherstone Crossing project.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. DeForest made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Solomon seconded the motion. The Board voted all in favor.

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Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted:

Iris Campbell
Recording Secretary