

# TOWN OF LYNDEBOROUGH PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

## July 19, 2018

*Approved on 9/20/18*

### **7:30 PM Call to Order & Roll Call**

Chairman Tom Chrisenton, Larry Larouche, Bob Rogers, Paul Best and Alternate Julie Zebuhr, who will sit on the Board. Selectmen's Rep. Fred Douglas arrived at 7:45pm.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **Tree Trimming and Cutting on Scenic Roads**

Rick Sullivan from Eversource was present asking permission to cut and trim trees on scenic roads in Lyndeborough.

Previously, Mr. Sullivan provided a substantial list of trees on scenic roads they have identified as hazardous to the powerlines and request permission to trim or cut the trees. Arborist Dave Burley from Asplundh Tree Service headed up the hazardous tree identification process. The goal is to remove any hazardous dead wood or leaners and reestablish the clearance that was established 4-years ago which is to have 8 feet of side clearance; 15 feet of clearance above and 10 feet of clearance below the main lines. The company went door to door talking with and obtaining permission from homeowners. A permission mailer was sent to homeowner that explains the process.

Julie Zebuhr asked what the difference is between the white and orange ribbon. It was speculated the white ribbons were formerly orange ribbons that have faded in the sun.

Mr. Sullivan will visit each road after the tree trimming work is completed and if there are additional concerns the homeowner will be contacted. This answered Bob Rogers' question what happens if there are trees of concern that have not gotten homeowner's approval.

Mr. Sullivan said they prefer to leave sugar maple and white oak if possible and will remove any hazardous ash trees that are of concern. Bob Rogers mentioned the town has lost most of the ash trees already.

Julie Zebuhr asked for a clarification regarding ribbons placed by the town vs Eversource and is it clear who is paying for which trees to be trimmed or removed. Mr. Sullivan said they have detailed notes but also said there are times when homeowners remove or replace the ribbons but they do their best to make sure it's well explained in the notes.

**VOTE: Bob Rogers moved, Paul Best seconded to grant Eversource permission to do tree trimming and cutting on scenic roads that is on their submitted list. Motion passed 5-0.**

Larry Larouche asked Mr. Sullivan to look into a damaged tree on Center Road. He felt it was damaged in an ice storm in which half that tree was lost while the rest is hanging over the road. The tree is on the left as you head up from Milford and located at a house with a pitched driveway. Mr. Sullivan agreed.

**CONTINUED BUSINESS:**

**Chris Brown Subdivision Update; Lot 220, Map 17 and 17-01**

Mr. Brown delivered a new Mylar and maps of the subdivision plan that have the required owner's signature block plus the condition of obtaining a driveway permit was met. Tom Chrisenton and Kathleen Humphreys signed the Mylar and subdivision plan/maps.

*The Mylar was recorded on 7-20-18; Docket 8031249, Plan 39837.*

*Mr. Brown paid \$51.00 with business checks #392 (\$26) and #393 (\$25).*

**MINUTES & OTHER PERMITS TO REVIEW:**

**VOTE: Bob Rogers made a motion, Paul Best seconded to approve the June 21, 2018 minutes. Motion passed 4-0-1. Julie Zebuhr abstained**

**Driveway permits:**

A copy of Chris Brown's approved driveway permit was submitted for review which was one of the conditions for approval. Lot 220, Map 17 and 17-01.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Kathleen Humphreys reported she is reviewing the Planning Board and ZBA Applications to bring them up-to-date on current fees and requirements.

**CORROSPONDENCES:**

None

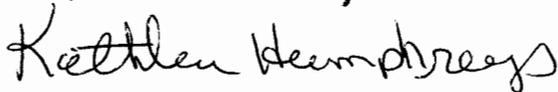
**AGENDA for NEXT MEETING:**

At this point, there is no business for the Planning Board. It is possible the Board may not meet in August 2018.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**VOTE: Bob Rogers made a motion, Paul Best seconded to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted ,



Kathleen Humphreys, Planning Board Secretary