

**NEWTON PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING
October 24, 2017**

Call to Order: Chair Barbara White called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. In attendance were: Chair Barbara White, Vice Chair James Doggett; Planning Board members: James White, Roger Hamel, Sandra Estabrook and Alternate Paul Szot. Minutes were transcribed by Administrative Assistant Gail LeBlanc.

J. Doggett arrived at 7:15 PM following the Selectmen's Meeting.

Paul Szot was appointed a voting member tonight in J. Holland's place.

The meeting began with a salute to the flag.

1. Amended Site Plan, Coleman McDonough/125 Development, 27-2 Puzzle Lane (Map 14 Block 1 Lot 27-2) 125 Development requested a continuance until the next PB meeting November 14, 2017. **R. Hamel moved to continue the Public Hearing until November 14, 2017, per the applicant's request. Second by Paul Szot with unanimous vote.**

2. Other Board Business and Correspondence

a. Acceptance of Minutes from 10/10/17 R. Hamel moved to accept the minutes from the 10/10/17 meeting. **J. White second with unanimous vote. P. Szot abstained.** The minutes should reflect the correct date for the Pow Wow Watershed Collaboration kick-off meeting is October 25, 2017.

b. Manifests R. Hamel moved to pay the Operating Budget manifest in the amount of \$32.34. **Second by P. Szot with unanimous vote.**

c. Budget The PB prepared their 2018 Budget Request. **R. Hamel moved to forward to the Board of Selectmen a 2018 Budget request of \$49,555.00. S. Estabrook second with unanimous vote.** B. White will be going to the budget meeting Monday night with the Selectmen to present the PB budget.

d. Correspondence

The PB received an email from Robert Lang, 2 New Boston Road stating he would like to remove his application for a subdivision. **R. Hamel moved to recommend that the Board of Selectmen release \$1,904.80, the balance in his NPREA account. P. Szot second with unanimous vote.**

The Pow Wow River Watershed Collaborative will be meeting October 25, 2017 from 6:30 to 8:00 PM at the Pound School, 41 Depot Road, East Kingston, NH.

J. White reminded the PB members to keep their eyes open to surrounding towns infringing on Newton's water supply. Several years ago, the Town of Merrimac, MA wanted to increase their pumping by 15,000 gallons per day which would lessen Newton's water supply at a time when wells were drying up in various parts of town. This was stopped, but all PB members should be aware.

The Rockingham Planning Commission is sponsoring a Legislative Forum "The Future of Water" on Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 6:00 PM at the Unitil Headquarters in Hampton, NH.

3. Adjourn: J. Doggett moved to adjourn at 7:18 PM, second by J. White with unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail M. LeBlanc, AA
Newton Planning Board