

Town of Boscawen
Agricultural Commission
Meeting Minutes- DRAFT
Boscawen Municipal Complex
December 13, 2018 7:00 pm

1 Members Present: John Keegan – Chair, Julie Fournier, Rusty Colby, Josh Marshall, John Porter
2 Members Absent: Bill Bevans- Vice Chair, Tina Larochelle, Roger Sanborn-Ex-Officio
3 Others Present: Kellee Jo Easler

4 Chairman Keegan called the meeting to order at 7:05pm with a voting Commission.

5 Roll call made by Chair Keegan.

6 Review and Acceptance of Prior Meeting Minutes:

7 **Chair Keegan asked if anyone had any changes to the previous minutes from 10/11/2018**
8 **and the following changes were made:** Mrs. Easler said the footer needs the date corrected, Mr.
9 Keegan said line 26 add no changes proposed to Mrs. Easler’s list, line 28 should be law, line 29
10 should say Commission instead of Board, line 33 should say the work group was, line 43 remove
11 cutting and cemetery, line 49 was should be is, line 55 change would to could.

12 **Motion made to accept the September minutes as amended by Mr. Marshall and seconded**
13 **by Ms. Fournier All in favor, none opposed.**

14 **Financial Report:** Mr. Keegan stated he would like an end of the year report at the next
15 meeting.

16 **Motion made to accept the Financial Report by Ms. Fournier and seconded by Mr.**
17 **Marshall All in favor, none opposed.**

18 **Land Use:** Mrs. Easler gave a report of recent Planning Board applications that were approved.
19 The Commission discussed Accessory Dwelling Units and Mrs. Easler explained some of the
20 requirements. Mrs. Easler also informed the Commission that we have been receiving inquiries
21 on a large property on DW Highway up for sale. The property between the lots have a large
22 amount of road frontage and is 200+ acres.

23 **Farm Bill:** Mr. Marshall explained after finding out the RSA that passed last year that fit what
24 the Commission was already trying to do. The Commission had concern about Commercial and
25 Industrial use and the Commission was looking for Agriculture. Mr. Marshal spoke with Rob
26 Johnson the Farm Bureau policy director and his suggestion was to turn to someone with
27 expertise in revenue and taxation. Mr. Marshall explained there is no difference between
28 Agricultural and Commercial stating it is all Commercial. Mr. Marshall will try to connect with
29 someone to help. Mrs. Easler said NHMA may be a good resource. Mr. Porter brought up the
30 Crete and Morrill projects. Chair Keegan questioned where the easements stood as well as the
31 Walker Pond Easement. Mrs. Easler said the Walker Pond Easement is stalled because there was
32 discussion regarding wanting to develop the land that is on a class 6 road. The land cannot be
33 developed due to Town Regulations.

34 **Community Garden:** Chair Keegan said a woman from Concord has shown interest in a plot for
35 next year. The garden is for Resident’s first but if there are available plots they can offer them

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36 outside of Town. Mr. Marshall questioned if there were plots taken up from people outside of
37 Town and the following year Residents want to use them. Chair Keegan said every year there are
38 plots available.

39 **Old Business:** Chair Keegan said at the last meeting the land near Walker Pond was discussed
40 being named after David Larochelle. Mrs. Larochelle wrote up something on the work her
41 husband had done. Chair Keegan said right now there is no plot it is being stalled.

42 **New Business:**

- 43 • Mr. Marshall informed the Commission for anyone that wasn't aware, Dot Perkins passed
44 away and a Celebration of life would be held on Sunday.
- 45 • Mr. Porter questioned what the next project the Commission could work on next. Mr.
46 Marshall said the Tax Relief Bill is something they should still work on.
- 47 • Mrs. Easler said Kesavan Mobile Home Park was purchased and all the mobile homes
48 were taken down. New mobile homes will be going in and the new road name is Villa
49 Brasi Lane. Mr. Marshall heard the new mobile homes will be aimed for elderly. Mrs.
50 Easler hasn't heard this.
- 51 • Mr. Marshall questioned if the cabins @ 151-157 North Main St were being sold all
52 together. Mrs. Easler said they have been subdivided and are being sold individually and
53 there is a lot in the back for future development. Mr. Marshall said he has concerns
54 regarding wetlands in that area.
- 55 • Mr. Porter said a varnish coat might be needed on the welcome to Boscawen signs. Mr.
56 Porter also questioned if they could add when different vegetables are in season. The
57 Commission discussed maple, strawberry, blueberries, sweet corn, apples, pumpkins and
58 Christmas trees being on the signs and they can be changed with what is in season.
- 59 • Ms. Fournier asked if the Horse Council had a date for the next meeting. Mr. Porter said
60 no date is set at this time.

61 Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Marshall and seconded by Mr. Colby. All in favor, none
62 opposed.

63 The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

64 Minutes respectively submitted by Danielle Bosco