

**Guilford Planning Board
MINUTES
Guilford Town Office
June 15, 2016**

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Attendance: Members present: Matt Holland - Chairman; Robert Elliot, and Lou Sidell - Secretary - Quorum present

Absent: Richard Panciera and Martha Ward

Present: Alternate Board Member Clayton Griffin and Ed Davis

Alternate Member Davis was selected to fill in Richard Panciera and Alternate Griffin filled in for Member Ward

Also present: Keith Doore, Code Enforcement Officer

Minutes: No minutes were available for tonight's meeting.

Code Officer's Report: CEO, Keith Doore, reported the following issues and permits:

- Mr. Doore explained that last month he had issues with the issuance of the permit for the chickens because of lack of action regarding the demolition of the house at 24 North Main Street and too many open ended issues. He also explained to the applicant, Mrs. Elizabeth Tinkham, that he does not have a problem now with the issuance of the permit for the chickens, however, he has lost the application and asked her to reapply.

Mrs. Tinkham addressed the Planning Board regarding the chicken coop issue. The dilapidated house on the property has fallen down and she and her husband, Johnathan Gillespie, have been sorting the boards from the debris in order to reuse some and burn the others. She was of the understanding that they had until September 2016 to remove the structure. She said they plan on having it cleaned up by the end of summer.

Mr. Doore explained they are a year behind and produced a document from the Board of Selectmen stating that the owners had until September 11, 2015 to remove the old house and until June 1, 2016 to fill in the basement.

Mrs. Tinkham said she did not understand that was the agreement but acknowledged the Selectmen's document. She told Mr. Doore that "It was a long time before you stopped by the house.

Mr. Doore explained that he did not have a good rapport with her husband and will not continue to meet with him ever again.

The Planning Board was concerned that this matter was before them and stated that it belongs back in front of the Selectmen since the order was from them.

Mr. Doore explained that in light of the Guilford Property Maintenance Ordinance it was appropriate to come to the Planning Board.

The Planning Board stated that the Property Maintenance Ordinance was not in effect at the time of the Selectmen issued the order and therefore did not apply to this instance.

Aquifer Protection: At the invitation of the Planning Board, Lance Pulkkinen of the Guilford/Sangerville Water District came to the meeting to answer questions and provide input regarding Aquifer Protection. Guilford shares its aquifer with towns of Abbot and Sangerville. Mr. Pulkkinen explained that the aquifer also runs up as far as Blanchard. The Planning Board has been concerned for some time that there is a potential for a large water using industry such as a bottling company that could drill a well and significantly draw down the community's water supply or that an inappropriate company could dump harmful chemicals into the aquifer.

The Planning Board asked Mr. Pulkkinen if there were any other communities that have addressed the issue or if there have been joint community efforts elsewhere in the state. He explained that Sangerville was also looking into the issue and that our timing was appropriate in light of joint interest. He explained that he would look into the matter of a joint community efforts and the possibility of plans or ordinances that have already been implemented.

About all the district has to rely on for now is a statute regarding well head protection. It does not go as far as an aquifer protection effort. He suggested that we may want to look into the 1986 Safe Drinking Water Act.

The Board thanked Mr. Pulkkinen for attending the meeting and sharing information and that it looks forward to working with the district and the surrounding communities in the near future.

He also stated that the district is capable of a 2,000 gallon/minute drawdown. Our sand and gravel aquifer provides a natural filtering system.

Code Officer's Report continued: Mr. Doore updated the Board on the following permits and issues:

- Cleanup efforts at the east end of High Street. It is located on the north side of street and just west of the car wash. The property is cleaner than it was and several truck load of material have been removed.
- Keith and Hilary Kendall, 13 High Street, Map 16, Lot 28, permit for a new 16' x 28' porch and mud room.

- Mr. Doore provided a copy of a letter he received from the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry dated May 31, 2016 encouraging Guilford to update the forestry provisions of its municipal Shoreland zoning ordinance. The Board took the letter under advisement.

Adjourn: Member Elliot moved to adjourn and Member Griffin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:19

Next meeting: July 20, 2016

Next Comprehensive Planning Committee meeting: July 14, 2016

Respectfully submitted

Lou Sidell, Secretary