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Patten Planning Board  
Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 4:30PM  
Veteran's Memorial Library/Lumberman's Museum  
61 Shin Pond Road / Patten, ME 04765

### Meeting Minutes

These minutes are not verbatim.

Audio copies of the meeting are available at the Town Office

Call to Order: 4:35 P.M.

Roll Call: Joel Fitzpatrick, Ron Blum, Scott Webb, Barbara Webb, Les Hill, Dennis Brackett, Kristen Wittine

Guests: Gail Albert (Town Manager), Janice Dancer (Select Board Member) and Kent Smallwood

In reviewing the agenda, Scott Webb suggested that, in keeping with the current Planning Board Ordinance, first of year votes should be done for Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary positions. Majority Votes were for Ron Blum as Chairman, Joel Fitzpatrick as Vice Chair, and Barbara Webb as Secretary. All accepted and information will be sent to the Select Board. Scott also asked if a change could be made to the old business, making it new business so the Fire Department ordinance could be addressed. All approved.

Minutes of December 16, 2023, were approved.

No new updates or information to report from the December 5, 2024, Select Board meeting.

Changes were made to the Fire Department Ordinance second draft by Scott Webb. Some were grammatical and a few under Purpose and Officers. He will bring the changes to Brett Morse for discussion and review. Draft 3 will be brought before the Planning Board as soon as possible.

Joel Fitzpatrick had a few questions regarding Nuisance Property Ordinance verses Vacant Building Property Ordinance. During this discussion, the decision was made that he would focus on the Nuisance Property Ordinance which would cover the issues that vacant building properties, such as fire and health dangers, are creating. He will reference the Maine State laws that are currently in effect.

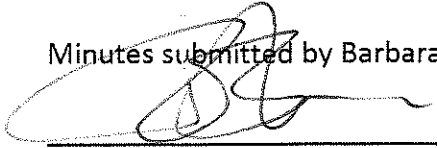
Ron presented the question that whether most of the ordinances would go into the Land Use Ordinance or stand alone. It was decided that the Building Ordinance will stand alone which will include the Park Model, Campground, and Tiny Home Ordinances and should be ready for Public vote in April. Once the Land Use section is complete, all the related standalone ordinances will be combined with it and will be put to public vote.

A workshop meeting was scheduled for February 1, 2024, at 4:30 P.M., to review drafted Building, Campground, Tiny Home, and Park Model Ordinances and review the Demolition Permit. Meeting to be held at the Veteran's Memorial Library.

Confirmed next regular meeting: February 15, 2024, at 4:30 P.M. at Veteran's Memorial Library.

Adjourned: 6:05 P.M

Minutes submitted by Barbara Webb.



Ronald Blum, Chairman



Joel Fitzpatrick, Vice Chairman



Scott Webb



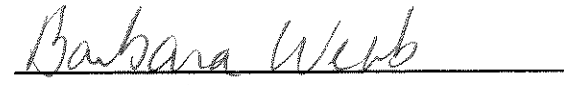
Dennis Brackett



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Les Hill



Barbara Webb, Secretary