P.O. Box 260 Patten, Maine 04765

Planning Board September 19, 2024 4:30 P.M. at the Town Garage

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order: 4:32pm at the Patten Town Garage.
- 2. Attendance: Ron Blum, Chair; Joel Fitzpatrick, Vice-Chair; Les Hill, Kristen Wittine, Dennis Brackett, Kent Smallwood Guest: Gail Albert, Town Manager; Willow Brooks, Deputy Clerk
- 2. Review of Agenda: Bob Howes was added to the agenda to discuss his proposal for a bridge over Peasley Brook for recreational use on behalf of Rockabema Snow Rangers. The Planning Board deferred pending receipt of his Permit application and confirmation of permission for land use and agreed to review and approve online to save time. Bob will be reaching out to Bruce Hussey, Patten's Code Enforcement Officer for next steps.
- 3. Review of minutes of August 15 meeting: The Planning Board agreed to table the August 15 minutes for a minor correction and approve them at the next meeting
- 4. Select Board September 2 meeting: There was a discussion at the Select Board meeting about a Lawn Mowing Ordinance, no action will be taken by the Planning Board at this time.

5. Comprehensive Plan Subcommittee September 9: The Subcommittee had a broad discussion about multiple sections of the current plan. The updated Comprehensive Plan will be more focused, and the Subcommittee will discuss the Natural Resources section at the next meeting.

6. Old Business

- a. E911 Ordinance
- b. Snow Removal Ordinance
- c. Report from CEO on Manufactured Housing Ordinances
- d. Planning Board Ordinance

The Planning Board reviewed and edited each of the above ordinances.

7. New Business

- a. Building Ordinance
- b. Animal Control Ordinance
- c. Associate Member Position

Patten's Animal Control Officer, Jon Harvey, is requesting that the ordinance be changed to increase fees for dogs at large. The Planning Board agreed and will get recommendations from other towns for fee increases. Kent mentioned that he spoke with Craig Greenier, and Craig is no longer available to attend the meetings. Ron will reach out to Craig before the Board starts looking for another Associate Member.

8. Next Regular meeting: October 17, 2024, 4:30 PM, at the Lumbermen's Museum.

9. Adjourn

Motion made by R. Blum to adjourn the meeting at 5:45pm. Seconded by J. Fitzpatrick, no discussion heard. **All in favor.**

Approved by the Planning Board on 10/12/29, 2024 Ron Blum, Chair Joel Fitzpatrick, Vice-Chair Kristen Wittine Les Hill

Dennis Brackett