

Elmore Planning Commission Meeting
November 29, 2018
Elmore Town Clerk's Office 6:30 pm

Present: Kate Sprague, Hans Deboer, Michelle Greeson, Glenn Schwartz, Don Valentine,
Guest: Seth Jensen (LCPC)

Ongoing Business:

- Zoning and Subdivision Amendments: Guest Seth Jensen (LCPC)
 - Review revised Driveway Standards and Road Standard: Most changes made by Seth were accepted, some further work can be done to combine the two.
 - Recommendation: Add statement about homeowner's responsibility for maintaining driveways for emergency service access.
 - Discuss Subdivision section 4.2, specific prominent and scenic features.: Prominent Knolls and Ridgelines to be protected: Elmore Hill and area south of Cross Road.
 - Next Step: Seth will start working on Conservation Subdivision Language (section 4.3 of current Subdivision Regulations)

- Finalized list of goals for Town Plan survey:
 - Control the spread of invasive nuisance aquatic plants and animals in Lake Elmore.
 - Continue to work with the state for funding of the Greeter program at Lake Elmore.
 - Continue to monitor the spread and impact of invasive species.
 - Investigate long term maintenance and ownership of the dam at Lake Elmore.
 - Expand cell and internet coverage in Elmore
 - Renewable Energy Goals
 - Work towards economic development of Elmore while keeping the rural character. (Create a Elmore Economic Development board?)
 - Retain / Conserve and protect the existing forest, improve the ecology of the forest while supporting current low impact public and private recreational land use.
 - Distribute information about the Vermont Land Trust and other land conservation options to land owners of large tracts of productive forestland in town.
 - Explore options for funding future conservation projects in Elmore.

- Investigate grant matching opportunities from the state
- Talk to land trust about pieces of land that could be used for town forest/use

New Business:

- Updates from Select Board
 - Planning Commission will apply for Rise Vt Grant to fund state park access for town residents.
- Elmore Dam: Glenn and Bruce will write up a piece on current status of dam and have it posted on website.

Next Meeting: December 18th at 7:00