

Minutes of the Wilton Select Board Meeting
May 2, 2023

(FULL RECORDING IS AVAILABLE AT www.mtbluetv.org)

Members Present: Keith Swett, Phil Hilton, David Leavitt, Mike Wells, Tiffany Maiuri, Perry Ellsworth, Town Manager

Item #1-Minutes of the Select Board Meeting of April 18, 2023

Motion by Phil/Second by Keith -To Accept the Minutes of the Select Board Meeting of April 18, 2023. Vote: 4-0 1-Abstain (Tiffany Maiuri)

Item #2- Public to speak on non-agenda item

None

Item #3- Liquor License Ambition Brewery

Motion by Phil/Second by Mike-To Move and Accept the Liquor License for Ambition Brewery. Vote: 5-0

Item #4- Ordinance Changes (2)

Gary Judkins, Code Enforcement Officer spoke on the ordinance changes needed for Article 3 Table B. Space and Bulk Standards in the zone Resource Protection Watershed Overlay and Article 4- 5.12 Construction Standards-Table B. Space and Bulk Standards.

Gary stated that Colin Clark from DEP(Department of Environment Protection) called in regards to Article 3. Our Ordinance needs to be in compliance and coincided with the DEP language. Article 3 Table B Space and Bulk Standards in the zone Resource Protection Overlay needs to change from 100 feet to 250 feet for Pond in a Minimum Standard Setback/Normal Highwater Line Wetland. It also includes a decrease in zone Stream Protection in Maximum Non-Vegetated Surface area #5 from 25% to 20%. (See Attached)

Mike is concerned that the facts are not correct. He feels that it is 100 feet.

David-This could be on the Town Warrant.

Perry-Yes it could. This is a preliminary discussion. We will check into the facts of this.

Gary explained that Article 4 needs to change the square feet from 500 to 190 square feet. This is for Minimum Dwelling Size and Tiny Homes are included in this.

Keith-This is changing the size of apartments and tiny houses?

Gary-Yes (See Attached)

Perry-In the meeting with the Planning Board, they feel that the 190 feet is acceptable.

David-We need to get more information on the Shoreland Zoning.

Item #5- ATV Access to Town

Residents spoke on concerns with the ATV Access to Town, mainly from Temple St. There was a question on whether there was a public hearing. There were 2-3 meetings that took place according to David. There was also a letter of support that was written to the Inland Fishery and Wildlife. There are concerns of Temple Road being turned into a “freeway” and that ATV access has increased a busy road. Some of the Residents feel their quality of life is not the same due to speed, late night riders, noise and drivers doing “donuts” in their yard.

Mike suggested the idea of exploring re routing the trail or a right of way. He understands why this would be an issue with residents. Not being able to enjoy your home is an issue.

David clarified that this is an access trail to get to other trails.

Tiffany did not intend for this to create an issue.

Perry- “Every action has got a reaction.” He is unsure how this can be regulated and feels there’s valid concerns.

Tiffany would like the Temple ATV Club to be present to discuss.

Bob Dalot from the Western Maine ATV Club spoke and stated that they ride as a club and they pay close attention to the speed limits. As far as mobbing the trail, they went everywhere trying to get hooked on to the Farmington side.

Tiffany would like a continued discussion with the Temple ATV Club at the next meeting (5-16-23) to see if there are any other alternative options.

(Go to www.mtbluetv.org for the full discussion on this topic)

Item #6- Appeals Board Appointment

Motion by Keith/Second by Phil-To accept Adam Cote & Barry Hathaway as a Volunteer for the Appeals Board. Vote: 5-0

Item #7- Set Public Hearing Date for Winter Roads Maintenance

Perry is suggesting May 16, 2023 for the Public Hearing for Winter Road Maintenance.

Motion by Tiffany/Second by Phil-To set the Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 for Winter Road Maintenance.

Keith-All the roads coming forth have been discontinued for 20 +/- years and need to be reassessed every 10 years?

David-Will there be historical data brought to the Public Hearing?

Perry will provide this information and notify the area residents.

Vote: 5-0

Item #8-Food Solvency Ordinance

(Attached is the Local Food and Community Self-Governance Ordinance of 2023)

This would need to go to the Annual Town Meeting for approval. It would be a Warrant article.

Motion by Mike/Second by Tiffany-To add the Local Food and Community Self-Governance Ordinance of 2023 at the Annual Town Meeting as a Warrant article.

Vote: 5-0

Item #9- Upcoming Budget Meetings-May 08 and May 15

The Budget meetings are set for May 08 and May 15, 2023.

Perry is looking for help and support. Himself along with Linda have made progress. Vernice (Boyce), Accountant and Linda have also made progress with the books.

Item #10-Manager's Report

(See Attached Manager's Report)

Keith would like a report on damage figures from the heavy rain storm from May 1, 2023.

