



Town of Eddington

906 Main Road Eddington, Maine 04428

PLANNING BOARD
January 14, 2010
6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 6:30.

ROLL CALL: Members present were Gary Poisson, Frank Higgins, Susan Dunham-Shane, Gretchen Heldmann, Henry Hodges, Jeff Thurlow, and Russell Smith, Town Manager. Charles Norburg had an excused absence.

MINUTES:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: This meeting was a Windmill Ordinance Workshop.

The Board feels that the setback requirements, sound limitations and projected income to the Town are important areas, which should be well researched to be prepared for the Public Hearings. There will be two Public Hearings with voting on the Ordinance at the March 30, 2010 Town Meeting.

Russell will contact towns that currently have Commercial Windmills to find out the financial benefit to those towns. (Stetson, Mars Hill, Liberty/Freedom and western Maine. We are going to want figures and information on how it would affect Eddington taxes to answer resident questions.

The Board members should each read Sections 1 through 5, (a) and(b) in the Town of Dixmont, Wind Energy Facility Ordinance for the next meeting. They should also review the 28-page information packet from Randall Fairman of the Dixmont Planning Board for reference information. The discussion on setbacks and noise levels will continue with everyone providing their opinions and research information to justify their decisions for the residents.

Susan Dunham-Shane will bring the map she has showing residents around that area on Blackcap. Gretchen will produce a map from information on line showing a mile around the proposed site. Susan will also ask Mark to bring something to the meeting to demonstrate sound.

NEW BUSINESS:

OTHER BUSINESS: The next meetings will be Monday, January 25, 2010 with Renaissance and Thursday, January 28, 2010 for a Windmills workshop.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise M. Knowles