

# TOWN OF MADAWASKA

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**Madawaska Planning Board Minutes  
Public Meeting  
Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at 5:45 PM  
Town Council Meeting Room**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Vincent Sirois; Chairman, Thomas Schneck, Gary Dufour, Mike Morin, Kevin Dube

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Gary & Donna Pelletier, Daniel Picard

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:** Andrew Dubé

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** Lee Ann Ouellette

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**Article 1: Call the Meeting to Order.**

Chairman, Vincent Sirois called the Planning Board Meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

**Article 2: Establish a Quorum of Members.**

A quorum was established with the following Planning Board members: Vincent Sirois, Mike Morin, Kevin Dube, Thomas Schneck and Gary Dufour.

**Article 3: Determine any Conflict of Interest or Bias**

None of the Planning Board members have a conflict of interest or bias to the following articles.

**Article 4: Review and approve previous Planning Board Minutes**

The Planning Board made no changes to the previous Planning Board Minutes.

**Gary Dufour motions to approve the April 19 planning board minutes as read.  
Thomas Schneck seconds the motion. All are in favor. Motion carries.**

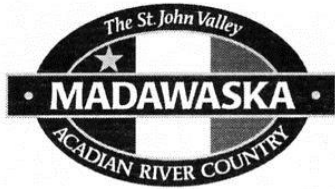
**Article 5: Approve map amendment for Gary Pelletier's 1996 subdivision on Map 28-B.**

Gary Pelletier stated that he wants to subdivide his lot on Dionne Street. He's had the Water and Sewer crossed over. Tax map has one large lot, just adding a lot on that.

**Mike Morin motions to approve map amendment. Gary Dufour seconds the motion. All are in favor. Motion carries.**

**Article 6: Presentation by Daniel Picard about sign ordinance update to Maine State DoT standards.**

Mr. Daniel Picard proposed updating the 30 year old sign code that is currently in place, Involves state level, DOT and just add the basic stuff and update language. This would give Businesses a place to go to when they want to put up signs. Mr. Picard spoke about the laws in the state legislature. He also stated that MDOT has jurisdiction over the state. Andrew stated that any off premises sign is illegal. Mike added that the signs in trails are nice for people who come from out of town. Andrew stated that this would be an ongoing project and would not be done right away, this will need to be brought to the selectman, we'll need to have



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a public hearing. Andrew also mentioned that the neighboring towns don't follow these either. Vince thanked Mr. Picard for all of the information.

**Gary Dufour motions to cease discussion till next meeting. Thomas Schneck seconds the motion. All are in favor. Motion carries.**

**Article 7: Gravel Pit Permit Renewal for Jeff and Marcella Albert Map 29/Lots 28 & 29**

Vince stated that he doesn't see any issues, and asked if Jeff came in for the renewal of this lot. Andrew confirmed that Jeff did indeed come in.

**Mike motions to approve the renewal and Kevin seconds the motion. All are in favor. Motion carries**

**Article 8: Discussion on election of board Chair and Vice-Chair.**

Vince stated that it's June and we need to re-appoint a Chair. Mike asked if we could make alternates attend more meetings. Andrew stated that no we can't because they are not paid. Mike suggested maybe having the Board of Selectman advertise for planning board members. Vince Volunteers to stay as Chair another year if no one wants to do it.

**Kevin Dube motions to nominate Mike Morin as Vice-Chair, Gary seconds all in favor. Gary Motions to keep Vince as Chair Kevin seconds the motion. All are in favor. Motion carries.**

**Article 9: Other Business**

Andrew just wants to note that Article 6 is a very sensitive subject, he and Mr. Picard spent 6 hours meeting about this. Thomas Schneck stated that with what he's proposing, we live in a restricted area and this would never work. Andrew agrees that this issue should be addressed, but in time. Kevin asked if there is a time limit we can give for public participations?

**Article 10: Adjournment**

**Vince Sirois motions to adjourn at 7:10; Mike Morin seconds the motion. All Planning Board members are in favor and the motion carries.**

Next Upcoming Wednesday Meetings:

July 19, 2017

August 16, 2017

September 20, 2017

October 18, 2017

November 15, 2017

December 20, 2017