

Waterboro Planning Board

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Report of Public Hearing held at Waterboro Town Hall Aug 21, 1972.

Planning Board members present were; Linwood Rollins, Clinton Woodson, Everett Smith, Jr., Andrew Woodson, Jr., Gordon Carpenter, Forrest Abbott, Jr., and Wade Junkins. Also present were Selectmen Starr King and Stephen Kasprzak, Building Inspector Merrill Pazolt, and Conservation Commission members John Winslow, Robert Pazolt and Lee Perry, and about 25 interested townspeople.

Attorney Robert Ferguson was present to answer any legal questions.

The notice of the Hearing was read by Chairman C. Woodson at 7:05 PM.

An open discussion followed. First concerning adopting the State Plumbing Code by reference as a town ordinance. After the lawyer explained that it is a guide line set down by the State Dept. of Health and Welfare and not really a law, that we would have a 100 ft. minimum for septic tanks from any body of water, that we could handle violations at local level and not have to call on the state inspector, and much discussion pro and con, the majority present suggested that we put the State Plumbing Code in the warrant at the special town meeting, and that the Planning Board investigate what penalties should be put up and present them in the warrant.

Not much discussion in adopting the Building Code, since all realized that the town needs a new one. It was suggested that we present the "Abbreviation of the Abbreviated National Building Code", 1967 Edition, in the warrant for adoption.

The zoning of land within 250 ft. of navigable waters aroused the most discussion. After many questions like- what about a 100 by 100 ft. lot on lake front with no cottage - can one be built? Att'y Ferguson said there is no "grandfather clause" covering zoning so that if the zoning ordinance calls for a larger lot, the small one is not protected.

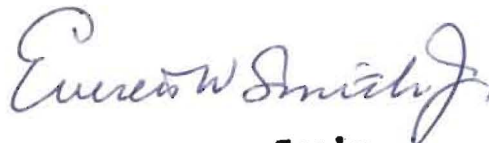
It was suggested that any undeveloped land within 250 ft. of water be zoned so that no building could be put on it. Also suggested that all land within 250 ft. of navigable waters be zoned residential - no businesses allowed.

The suggestion that all sewerage within 250 ft. of water be closed systems drew an answer that state agencies claim that such a system is not the answer - too many problems of disposal of the waste, etc.

Suggested that sewerage systems not be allowed nearer than 150 ft. of water.

It was finally decided to hold an informational meeting the evening of Sept. 5, 1972 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall. Perhaps more could be learned of what to do about this problem

Adjourned at 9:15 PM.



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