TOWN OF WATERBORO PLANNING BOARD

WATERBORO, MAINE



PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED ZONING CHANGES

JANUARY 11, 1989

Meeting called to order by chairman, Douglas Foglio at 7:08 P.M. In attendance were Anna Jackson, Lawrence Jacobsen, Roland Denby, Town Planner and approximately five (5) Waterboro residents.

The chairman briefly described the proposed zoning changes regarding gravel pits. One of the reasons for the changes is that existent section is too broad and does not allow latitude. If you had a house on a piece of property you could not extract gravel within 500 ft. from the house or from a water body. The water body with a broader interpretation could be a farm pond. Proposed change would be 150 ft. of property line or waterbody. With changes in the ordinance it would be allowed to extract gravel with a buffer strip. If changes it would bring the town and state more into compliance. State standards are minimum. Towns can request more stringent requirements.

Currently areas near waterbody would be along Saco River, Lake Arrowhead could be extracted with a proper restoration plan. These requirements would blend with the State ordinance. People needing DEP approval would be more prepared with the proposed changes.

Mr. Robert Jones: Restoration plan now or go by the State?

Chairman: It is up to the Planning board to determine what you'll have. The Board has only reviewed one request since 1977.

Mr. Jones: Commented favorably on the proposed changes. Change is more specific.

Chairman: The proposed changes would require a hydrostudy to be done. This is in line with State requirements. State does not get involved unless extraction reaches over five (5) acres.

A Conditional Use in each zone. Planning Board would review before extraction of gravel would be permitted.

Meeting closed at 7:23 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence Jacobsen Secretary/Treasurer