

## PLANNING BOARD

Monday, November 9, 2009  
Belmont Corner Meeting House  
Belmont, New Hampshire

Members Present: Chairman Peter Harris; Christine Long.  
Members Absent: Jon Pike, Gary Flack, Ward Peterson, Claude Patten and Russ Davis.  
Alternates Absent: William Rollins, William Otto and Reginald Caldwell.  
Staff: Candace Daigle and Elaine Murphy.

### **BIOSOLIDS:**

As there was no quorum those present had a general discussion on biosolids. Ms. Carol Fairfield was present to represent the Conservation Commission. Members discussed the various articles they have read and the research they have done. There was a lot of research done in the 1990's but very few articles that have been written recently. One of the concerns is the long term affect that biosolids will have on the environment. Some farmers see the increase in crop production as a benefit without knowing the long term affects to the land. Everyone present agreed that they should err on the side of caution because it is hard to reverse an ordinance once it is in place. The environment is something that needs to be preserved. Once damage has been done it cannot always be undone. They referred to the Gilford site where they thought it was okay to dispose of the coal tar and now have a major environmental site that needs to be cleaned up.

The more information they have the better they will be able to make an informed decision. They have read articles and listened to both the pros and cons of biosolids. Additional information is needed to make an informed decision. They have to look at the long range affects of biosolids

### **STAFF REPORT:**

#### **MANUFACTURED HOUSING:**

There has been some talk about adjusting the density allowed in a manufactured home park to match the density requirement for the zone they are located in.

C. Daigle has talked with Mr. Russ Thibeault about updating the housing study to show that Belmont has its legal fair share of affordable housing. She explained that the Board has the remainder of the contract with Mr. Thibeault from the last study he had done and he is willing to do an update of fair share housing. Those present agreed it would be a beneficial to have him do the updated housing study as the Board will not have to incur any additional funds.

**ELIZABETH BASCOM TAX LOT 110-006:**

C. Daigle stated that the assisted living facility on 87 Horne Road has received its certificate of occupancy and is open for business on both levels.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Elaine M Murphy  
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