

Town of Cornish
PLANNING BOARD

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Monday, November 7, 2011

6:30 PM BUSINESS MEETING

MINUTES

In Attendance: Dan Sherman, Ken Hall, Bill Hoxie, Tom Magno, John Morrissey

Guests: Nancy Perkins, Diann Perkins

Call Meeting to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM

New Business:

1. On a motion by John Morrissey and seconded by Tom Magno, the Business Meeting Minutes of October 3, 2011 were accepted as amended by unanimous vote.
2. Chairman Dan Sherman recused himself and appointed John Morrissey to chair the application of Central Maine Power Company to install wireless equipment on the existing F. R. Carroll tower on Quarry Road (Map R-6, Lot 19).
 - a. Bill Hoxie reported that all abutter notices had been delivered and no comments were received.
 - b. Bob Gashlin, representing CMP c/o Tilson Government Services, gave an overview of the project, in which he described the Smart Meter program, and how the meters communicate with each other and a repeater, and then relay that information to a collector. The data is then transmitted from tower to tower by a focused beam.
 - c. Several questions about the nature of the microwave transmissions and the smart meter program were discussed:
 - i. Diann Perkins asked if there was anything new in the technology; Bob Gashlin replied that it was existing technology in the same bandwidth as wireless phones.
 - ii. Nancy Perkins questioned the dangers posed by microwave transmissions in cell phones and other devices; Bob Gashlin replied that the devices were strictly regulated by the FCC, and fell well within the limitations for such devices.
 - d. A motion to accept the application as complete and approved was made by Tom Magno and seconded by Bill Hoxie. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0 and 1 abstention (Dan Sherman).
3. Dan Sherman resumed his position as chairman and thanked John Morrissey for filling in for him.
4. Nancy Perkins suggested that the Planning Board review the Tower Ordinance to see if the Ordinance ought to be reinforced with specific language to prevent questionable installations.

1 **These minutes were unanimously approved on December 5, 2011.**

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5. Consideration to interpret "acre" as being a builder's acre of 40,000 square feet in Table 2 of the Land Use and Development Ordinance will require approval at a town meeting.
6. Bill Hoxie stated that the review of the Land Use and Development Ordinance is nearly complete and that surveys regarding the banning of fireworks have been sent to the surrounding towns.

Unfinished Business: None

Public Comment: See 2. c. i. & ii. and 4. above

Agenda Items for Next Meeting: Workshop Meeting – Monday, November 21 2011 @ 6:30 PM

1. Approve Minutes of Workshop Meeting of Monday, October 17, 2011.
2. Update on Land Use Ordinance and Shoreland Mapping
3. Sign Letter of Approval for CMP application

Adjourn: 8:10 PM

Respectfully Submitted,



William Hoxie
Planning Board Secretary