

**Minutes
Planning Board Meeting - Hastings Community Center
December 22, 2022
6:00 PM**

Patrick Emery Eli Goodwin Stephen Chase
Tom Rebmann Edy Kizaki

Following a workshop which began at 5:00, Emery called the meeting to order, reading guidelines on the procedure for the public hearing and declared a quorum.

Emery opened discussion for Eric Alt to speak to the public with concerns or questions surrounding the Application for Land Use Authorization to establish a tavern at 383 Portland Street. Alt stated he was looking to open a tavern as a gathering place for citizens and the community. Plans to serve spirits, beer and wine. No food at this time would be served, excepted for prepackaged food, food trucks and catering onsite. Tavern will have games, pool tables, etc.

Emery opened up to the public for questions.

One resident who did not identify herself, asked if Fryeburg really needs another tavern. Chase responded that it was a matter of opinion. It's like restricting how many pizza shops you are going to have. As long as Alt operates within the Land Use Authorization, he can establish his uses according to the ordinance.

After concerns surrounding the safety of people getting drunk and leaving the establishment, police Chief Mick – stated ultimately the establishments is responsible if someone were intoxicated or crashed, the responsibility falls back on the owner of the establishment.

Emery opened discussion for Main Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife to speak to the public with concerns or questions surrounding the Application for Land Use Authorization for the Fryeburg Shooting Range at 58 Fish & Game Road. Robert Cordes - Wildlife Special Projects Coordinator address some concerns surrounding the environmental asset this past summer. Assessment was not directly related to the Fryeburg Shooting Range. EA was only conducted to meet the EA national environmental policy act. Stating the modernization project will improve in access, security, safety, environmental stewardship and hands on experience. The footprint of the existing sixteen (16) acres will not be expanded. The only change in use is the archery opportunities in a sixty (60) yard range. Proposing a 20' high wall to go behind each firing station.

Emery opened up to the public for question.

Marilyn Miller gave a brief history on the existing shoot range. Stated there are only two (2) public ranges, Augusta and Fryeburg. Concerned about the expansion and hours of operation.

Patty Walo - concerns of the application being expansion and sound levels concerns about hearing loss.

Barbara Riley - concerns about the environmental impact and lead reclamation.

IF&W - stated the reclamation was nowhere near threshold to reclaim lead. Stated they would provide documents.

Carol Clark - wanted to thank the representative from the state for planning this effort.

Tom Rebmann - wanted to say, thank you for the project.

Doug Walo - concerned about expansion. Questioned, what testing has been done to ensure the existing range has not negatively impacted this connective water system.

IF&W - folks that are experts, understanding lead in general does not bond with water. Lead is unlikely to have left the facility and effected the water.

Barbara Riley asked to see EA report; IF&W will provide to the town.

Steve Bender - biggest objection, everyone is complaining that they haven't had the opportunity to review. The map was proposed two (2) years ago. The application has been ruled complete, the information has been presented in many meetings before. Questions raised tonight, have already been answered about water runoff and noise mitigation, if they have not been at the meetings, shame on them. The question tonight, is the application is in compliance with the current town ordinance?

Susan Titcomb – thanked everyone for the clean up efforts. Commented about out of stater's using the range and complained about not finding the application on website.

Rebmann stated documents can be at the town office. Not required to be on the website.

Nora Schwarz – where the existing range is in reference to the Saco River.

IF&W - will provide an overlay of the facility.

Public Hearing closed.

Emery reviewed the standards applicable to the Application for Land Use Authorization to establish a tavern at 383 Portland Street.

Goodwin made a motion to approve the Tavern application, which was seconded by Chase and passed unanimously.

Emery reviewed the standards applicable to the Application for Land Use Authorization for the Fryeburg Shooting Range at 58 Fish & Game Road. There was discussion about the hours of operation and need for range use training after 5pm.

Emery made motion to approve the application with the following list of conditions:

- 1) Security lighting to be motion activated outside normal hours;

2) Public range hours shall end at 5pm. From 5pm on, there may only be Official Training Programs, with all shooting ending at 8pm.
Motion was seconded by Chase and passed unanimously.

Rebmann made a motion to approve and review the October 2022 and November 2022 Planning Board meeting minutes, which was seconded by Goodwin and passed unanimously.

Public Forum: N/A

Meeting adjourned ...

