

## Thorndike planning board minutes

May 9, 2018

- **Members attending:** Michael Berry, Bob Carter, Darryl Raven, Doug Nye, Reggie Cunningham, Dawna Duclos, Liz Sullivan
- **Citizens present:** Zoey Bond, Jon Wadick, Patty Pendergast
- **Call to order, Agenda review and updates:** Mike called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. No changes to agenda.
- **Minutes:** Darryl moved to accept , Reggie seconded them and approved unanimously.
- Darryl share the research that he did on The Harrison mass gathering ordinance. The discussions was far ranging and covered topics Safety, policing protection, size of event to require permit, public versus private events, Town sanctioning of events, insurance requirements. The use of the Volunteer fire dept and insurance considerations. The discussion was wide ranging and No motions were presented. Discussed the fact that north Yarmouth has all activities as town events.
- Discussion of road closure considerations and need for Selectmen approval and the need to involve Sheriff's department for traffic control. Discussion on the reinstatement of a recreation committee and it was decided that Zoey Bond would approach the selectmen with that suggestion. Time was spent looking forward to the Bicentennial event and the need for something to be in place to properly address the needs that will come up.
- The sentiment was expressed that the intention was not to stifle people wanting to have events but that the concern was for the safety of participants and any unwitting motorists affected by any event.
- Darryl made a motion "Following the decision of the selectmen whether to establish a rec Committee we would work with that committee to develop a standard operating procedure and regardless of the decision we should move ahead and draft a road closure ordinance" Bob Carter seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously after no further discussion.\
- **Assignments for next meeting:** Bob Carter to obtain D.O.T.'s road closure procedures. Mike was to obtain a copy of the Fire dept. billing ordinance.
- **Adjourne:**