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PLANNING BOARD

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PLANNING BOARD MINUTES
MEETING OF MARCH 13, 1980
8:00 P.M., TOWN HALL

PRESENT: Chairman Grolnic; members, Mrs. Bayne (absent, Miss Phillips, Mr. Becklean); Conservation Commission Chairman Gerngross, members, Mr. Conant, Mrs. Torkelsen, Mr. Freeman Ms. Huising (absent, Mrs. Clark, Mr. Ellison); Mrs. Sherman; Miss McCurdy, Conservation Assistant; Mr. Abbt, Assistant Town Engineer; Mr. Stewart, Assistant Assessor; Mr. Wexelblat, Mr. Kotanchik, Board of Assessors; Mr. Collins, Board of Selectmen; Mr. Hollands and Mr. Lowry, I.E.P.; approximately 20 interested citizens (see attached signup sheet)

Mr. Grolnic welcomed those present and outlined the format of the meeting: a presentation by I.E.P. explaining the wetland mapping process; the formal presentation of the wetlands maps and backup material; and, a public discussion of the proposed wetlands protection by-law to be presented to Town Meeting for acceptance as a general town by-law.

Mr. Hollands narrated a slide presentation outlining the nature of and the importance of wetlands and explaining the mapping process and the factors influencing the significance ratings of the individual wetlands.

Questions from the floor centered on the accuracy of the maps (dependent upon the accuracy of the town's base maps).

Copies of the proposed general by-law were then distributed. Mr. Grolnic explained that a non-zoning approach was taken because: revision would be easier; the administrative agency would be the Conservation Commission; and the difficulty of utilizing the map as a zoning map.

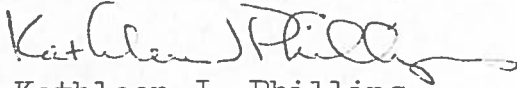
Mrs. Bayne and Mrs. Gerngross outlined the differences between the proposed by-law and the Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. Ch.131, s.40), noting that the wetlands map would be used as a guide in the Commission's enforcement of both and as a guide for homeowners, surveyors and developers.

Questions and criticisms from the floor centered upon the wording of specific passages and upon the procedural requirements.

Mrs. Bayne and Mrs. Gerngross will redraft portions of the proposed by-law with the aid of Town Counsel. Copies will be made available as soon as possible.

ADJOURNMENT: 11:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kathleen J. Phillips
Clerk

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Wetlands By-Law Public Hearing

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