

**Ashfield Planning Board  
Minutes of July 2, 2009**

Members Present: Michael Fitzgerald, Chairperson (MF)  
Chris Farley (CF)  
Sarah Holbrook (SH)  
Judy Haupt (JH)  
Ken Miller (KM)

Others Present: Alden Gray

The meeting is called to order at 7:30 pm.

1. Board reviews the mail.
2. Board review and accepts the June 4, 2009 and the June 18, 2009 meeting minutes as amended.
3. KM reports that he will not be able to attend the Aug. 6, 2009 meeting.
4. The Board edits the following in the Rules of the Ashfield Planning Board:
  - a. #11 – The Board votes in agreement to strike the phrase “to cover the required costs of advertising, mailing, and other processing.”
  - b. #19 – The Board votes in agreement that the ANR minimum fee is \$50.00 plus \$50.00 for each new lot created.
  - c. #16 – The Board will give the Decision to the Town Clerk.
5. Board reviews and signs ANR for Alden Gray. It is determined that the plans identify lines and define existing lots. CF makes a motion to sign the ANR, JH seconds it, and all are in favor. Form A and fee are submitted.
6. JH reports on latest FRCOG meeting topics: 1) BioMass presentation and the impact this development could have on state forest land / recent citizen reaction to this type of industry; 2) Comprehensive Economic Development Plan.
7. JH also reports that Wendy Sweetser, Director of Highland Communities Initiative, will join the Board on Aug. 2, 2009 to assist with the AFD. BS will email a copy of the AFD to Wendy one-month before the meeting.
8. SH informs the Board that she has recently attended a meeting at Berkshire Community College about wind technologies. The discussion centered on a new state law promoting the use of wind towers. Savoy and Windsor were mentioned as potential western MA locations.

The meeting ends at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barb Sussbauer

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