

Those present in the conference room of the Town Clerk's office for the 7 p.m. meeting were Board Members, William Biddle, Kathleen Crown, Jonathan Carpenter, Bruce Denio, George Pierce, Dennis McLam & Shane Stevenson were late; Secretary, Shirley Warden; and applicant, Eric Skovsted.

Warden noted that Chairman, McLam had called to say he would be late, so Vice-Chairman, William Biddle called the hearing to order at 7 p.m. and read the notice as posted and published in the August 15 & 16, 2015 issue of THE CALEDONIAN RECORD and as follows:

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## TOWN OF BARNET NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Barnet Planning/Zoning Board will hold a public hearing in the conference room of the Town Clerk's office at 7:00 p.m. on September 1, 2015 to consider the following applications:

**#22-15** from Eric & Mary Skovsted, lot #04-01-52 at 1525 Joe's Brook Road.  
The proposed porch does not meet setback requirements.

All interested parties will be heard and **MUST** participate in this hearing to have "the right to take any subsequent appeal." (Chapter 117, Title 24 § 4471)

A business meeting will follow the hearing. For further information contact Shirley Warden, Secretary at (802) 633-4993.

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Application #22-15 from Eric & Mary Skovsted at 1525 Joes Brook road; lot #04-01-52 to remove a shed addition and build a dwelling addition including a porch, which is 45' from the center line of the town highway.

Mr. Skovsted explained his drawing, saying that he wants to have the new addition connect along the back of the existing house. He also explained that the porch is in the footprint of a porch that was removed years ago.

It was noted with questions from Denio that the existing house is 20' to the pavement and the porch is 16' from the edge of the house.

Warden mentioned that Ted Faris had told her that when the barn was moved the Skovsteds were told that someday the road maybe widened.

Denio moved to allow the construction as proposed finding that the porch would not be any closer to Joes Brook Road than the existing house. Carpenter seconded and all present voted to approve.

The minutes for August 4, 2015 were approved with a motion by Crown and second by Pierce, and all voted yes. McLam & Stevenson were present for this vote. Stevenson showed a picture of Adams who had been stung by a hornet.

Warden presented the correspondence as notice from ANR of a water & sewage permit issued to Tyler & Emily Smith; (she noted that there were some errors the road name & tax map#); notice from VT Department of Housing & Community Development that the Municipal Planning Grant online application is available; and from ANR notice that Michael & Jeanine Greenleaf water & sewage permit had been issued to up grade the sewage system for their complex at 240 Harvey Mountain Road.

Time was spent on the Zoning By Law up date. Not everyone had picked up their copies.

Pierce said he thinks that ten pages of the flood section can be removed, keeping the existing wording that says all State and Federal Laws be followed.

Different people picked out up dates they thought should be looked at.

Biddle suggested there should be a better system to review the By Law and plan changes. None was discussed.

Biddle asked if this copy included all the changes that need to be made. Warden explained that these are the ones that NVDA made so the By Law meets the State law but none of the Towns issues were addressed.

Denio wanted to know if there was anything that would keep homeless shelters out of Barnet. Warden said this may not be possible under State law.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m..

*Shirley Warden*

Shirley Warden, Secretary  
Barnet Planning/Zoning Board

*Approved  
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as Presented  
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