

Surry Planning Board
1 Village Road
Surry, New Hampshire

Minutes: May 28, 2025

Present: Eva Morel, Laryssa Hiller, Matt Goodwin, Laura Barrett

7:05 PM

The plans for the MacKenzie subdivision that were approved at the April meeting were signed.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved after a discussion of the wording highway vs. road. (Matt, Eva)

Matt gave an update of the master plan which is available on the town website with a comments section that SWRPC set up for us. The public hearing for the acceptance of the plan will likely be at the June planning board meeting.

Laryssa still needs the paperwork to be sworn in.

John Davis will pick up a steep slopes map showing 15% slopes in Surry.

7:30 PM Public Hearing for the Mark and Kathy Gross Lot Line Adjustment.

Russ Huntley presented the lot line adjustment plan which is minor variation from the lot line adjustment approved in January due to driveway setback requirements. It was noted that previous plans showed an encroachment by a building. Russ stated that the encroaching shed had been removed. Laura made the motion that the application with waivers be accepted as complete. Susan Farrell expressed concern about building a home in the flood plain. Laura stated that as far as we know the building will be constructed on the highest part of the field and will have no below-ground facilities. The Selectmen will review the application for a building permit. The hearing was closed. Matt made the motion to approve the lot line adjustment, Laura seconded. All voted in favor.

Dave Bergeron appeared with further information regarding the Mark MacKenzie property. The approved subdivision is now before the Keene planning department and it appears that Keene will require a voluntary merger of the Surry lot and the Keene building lot. Mark MacKenzie also owns two lots with frontage on Old Walpole Road. There is a brook across those lots along the east side of Old Walpole Road that would require considerable culvert work and wetlands permits for the installation of driveways. He would like to use the private driveway known as Valley View Drive for access to these two lots. A potential buyer is interested in merging the two lots. The grade for a driveway from Old Walpole Road would be steep, estimated to be 17%. A plan with a potential driveway off Valley View Drive was examined and Mr. Bergeron was advised to apply for a driveway permit with the Selectmen.

Meeting adjourned at 9:04 PM.

Laura Barrett, Secretary