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## **Minutes of the Planning Board Public Meeting**

### **Town of Gill**

**10-13-10**

Members Present:

Doug Smith, Chair  
Dick French  
Jeff Blomstedt  
Tim Storrow

Also present were Fred Sheard and Eric Nelson, SVE Associates, consultant for NMH.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. The Board reviewed the minutes from their 9-9-10 meeting. Smith made a motion to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Blomstedt and passed unanimously.

The Board discussed Sheard joining the Planning Board and instructed him on the procedure for getting sworn in with Town Clerk.

Next, Smith explained that Eric Nelson, of SVE Associates was here representing Northfield Mount Hermon School, regarding an existing floating boat dock used by NMH School's Rowing Crew and for the seasonal installation and operation of a float inlet to be installed for an irrigation system for the NHM athletic field. Nelson showed on a plan where the NMH dock was located, where the float inlet was to be installed, and explained that they would only draw from the river to augment rainfall in order to irrigate the athletic fields. . Nelson told the Board that the DEP requires NMH to file a Chapter 91 Waterways License Application, and stated that the Planning Board needs to sign the application, that they agree that a dock structure meets the requirements of the zoning bylaws. Nelson explained that the Board gets a complete copy of the application; a copy goes to the abutters and to the DEP for a formal review and public comment. Nelson stated that NMH also had to go before the Conservation Commission to install the float inlet.

The Board reviewed their zoning bylaws and the plans that Nelson submitted, and decided that since NMH is an educational institution, and this is for an educational use, it is exempt from zoning bylaws anyway. On a motion by Storrow and seconded by Blomstedt, the Board voted unanimously to authorize their Chair, Doug Smith to sign the Chapter 91 Waterways Application.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m. The next meeting will be Thursday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carlene Millett,  
Clerical Assistant