Town of Arrowsic Minutes of Planning Board Meeting February 3, 2020 at 7:00 PM (Arrowsic Town Hall)

Attending: Will Neilson (PB Chair); Matt Caras (PB Secretary); Roger Heard (PB); Don Kornrumpf (PB); Jennifer Geiger (PB); Mike Kreindler (CEO); and Vicky Stoneman (possible interest in joining the Planning Board).

The Chair introduced Vicky Stoneman, who may have an interest in joining the Planning Board.

The Board reviewed and approved the Minutes of its January 6, 2020 Meeting (all voted in favor).

<u>Citizens for Squirrel Point: Potential Squirrel Point Boathouse Improvement Project</u>

In attendance were three representatives of Citizens for Squirrel Point (a Maine non-profit corporation formed in 2002 to preserve the Squirrel Point lighthouse property for the benefit of the public): Chris Brett, Ed Blaiklock and Brian Detweiler. Chris Brett presented a brief history of work at Squirrel Point, and then described the project currently being considered by Citizens for Squirrel Point, known as the Squirrel Point Boathouse Improvement Project (the "Project"). While no Application is currently before the Planning Board with respect to the Project, the Board was provided with a copy of the Citizens for Squirrel Point's Application For A Natural Resources Protection Act Permit, which Application includes detail on the Project. The primary focus of the Project is the construction of a new boat ramp from the existing Boathouse to the MLW mark. The Project is located in the Shoreland Zone and the Shoreland District.

There was discussion about whether the Planning Board should be involved in considering the Project, and if so, whether the appropriate or required process is an Application by Citizens for Squirrel Point for a Conditional Use Permit from the Planning Board. It was noted that the Project is similar to the construction, replacement or repair of a pier, dock or ramp, which requires a Planning Board Conditional Use Permit. It was also noted that the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance applicable to Public and Private Parks and Recreational Areas may be relevant.

There was discussion about whether Coast Guard (federal) ownership of the Squirrel Point property affects Town or Planning Board authority or jurisdiction with respect to the Project. Based on this question, among others, it was decided that the Planning Board, through its Chair, would consult with the Maine Municipal Association. If the MMA takes the position that the Town or Planning Board does not have jurisdiction with respect to development such as the Project, the Planning Board might decide not to review any application or request submitted by Citizens for Squirrel Point with respect to the Project. However, absent advice that the Town or Planning Board cannot review the Project, the Planning Board's sentiment is that the appropriate course is for Citizens for Squirrel Point to submit an Application for Conditional Use Permit.

Adjourned at 8:25 PM.