

# Town of Arrowsic

## Planning Board

### Minutes

May 1, 2025, 7 PM

In-Person and Via Zoom

Attendees: Vicky Stoneman (PB Chair), Eileen Bonine (PB), Joe Bonnett (PB), Paul Cunningham (PB), Mike Field (CEO), Jenna Howard (PB on Zoom), Don Sheldon (PB), David Devens (Homeowner).

Meeting Called to order at 7:10.

Eileen is a voting member for this meeting, filling in for Jim Davis.

7:00 Approval of 3/6/25 meeting minutes. Add Don Sheldon as Participant. Motion to approve as amended: Joe Bonnett, seconded by Jenna, no discussion. All in favor.

7:10 FOAA update  
Jenna and Jim will register for the June webinar session.

7:15 Review of CUP Application brought by David Devens.

The Applicant has legal standing.

The Planning Board has jurisdiction.

Application is complete.

Discussion:

David Devens – The goal is to increase propane capacity to the home. Wishes to bury a 500-gallon tank to replace two 120 gal tanks.

Facts brought by Planning Board -

Current tanks are flush against the house and in the road right-of-way.

PA 58 and Maine State regulations require that 125-500gal propane tanks must have a minimum 10 ft distance from buildings. Current 120-gallon tanks are not subject to that distance limitation.

It appears that adding a larger tank in the same location, underground or otherwise, will increase nonconformity. Placing the underground tank around the back of the house would not clear marsh setback requirements. The best option appears to be to add a third 120-gallon tank next to the 2 existing tanks.

CU Permit Application will be amended to indicate the installation of an additional 120-gallon LP tank rather than replacing it with larger tank.

Compliance with Ordinance 4.2.3 –

Will not result in unsafe or unhealthy conditions;

Will not result in erosion or sedimentation;

Will not result in water pollution;  
Will not result in damage to spawning grounds, fish, aquatic life, bird and other wildlife habitats;  
Will conserve shoreland vegetation;  
Will conserve the visual point of access to waters as viewed from public facilities; NA  
Will conserve actual point of public access to water; NA  
Will conserve natural beauty;  
Will avoid problems associated with flood plain development and use; NA and  
Is in conformance with the provisions of Section 3.0 Performance Standards.

Motion to approve as amended by Joe, seconded by Paul. No further discussion.  
All approved. Assigned CU #25-PB-01

7:45 CEO Update

\*Issued 2 Building permits in past month – Bacheller, Ater  
\*Freda's Lane potential owners want to build in Resource Protection zone. Discussed options with them.  
\*Bald Head property wants to cut trees. Told them cutting trees is not permitted in the Resource Protection zone.

8:00 Announcements and such other business as may reasonably come before the Board  
- Annual Report/Budget into Town as prepared and presented by Vicky – all approved  
- Chair Term Renewal – Vicky will continue as Chair

PB is required by Ordinance to post an announcement of public meeting when a permit is to be approved. Timing is difficult as local papers do not publish frequently. What are compliance requirements? Should/can the ordinance be changed? Vicky to contact Town Attorney to inquire.

July meeting moved to 7/10 due to the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday.

7:50 - Meeting Adjourned on motion by Joe, seconded by Jenna.

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 5, 2025 @ 7:00pm hybrid

Respectfully submitted by Eileen Bonine