

Town of Arrowsic

Planning Board Meeting

May 7, 2026, 7 PM

In-person and Via Zoom

Attendees: Vicky Stoneman (PB Chair), Eileen Bonine (PB), Joe Bonnett (PB), Paul Cunningham (PB), Jenna Howard (PB), Don Sheldon (PB alt), Mike Field (CEO), Derrick Baker (Property Owner)

Meeting called to order at 6:58 pm.

Eileen will vote in Jim's absence.

Approval of March minutes – Motion to approve as written by Joe, seconded by Jenna. No further discussion. All in favor.

Updates –

- Vicky updated the group about the upcoming Rt 127 plans to raise the road at two locations. MNDOT is currently estimating it will start work in March of 2028 and finish by June of 2029. The hope is to work both sections concurrently. They have about half the funding required at this point
- Light paving of Rt 127 is expected in May 2026.
- Public hearing on ordinance changes – Those changes to the Arrowsic Zoning Ordinance to be voted on at the June Town Meeting were presented for public comment. There was no concern expressed on the proposed changes.
- LD 2173 – No significant changes in the newly adopted LD 2173 are expected to affect the Town. CEO will make decisions regarding ADUs rather than planning board. A subdivision ruling which increased subdivision requirements from 3 to 5 has been delayed until 2028.

CEO Update –

- Two Building Permits were issued – an addition to existing garage (Sewall), and a new principal structure on Doubling Point.
- Five Conditional Use Permits – Sewall property, tree cutting on Bald Head Rd., Spinney Mill Rd., and Old Stage Road, and a standby generator on Old Stage Rd.
- Two Internal Plumbing Permits were issued.

- Training – Attended monthly septic/wastewater roundtables and attended Shoreland Training in Augusta.
- A few inquiries have been made about the property newly for sale on Arrowsic Rd. where the guardrail has been cut open.
- A few site visits were made with Keith Salcines on Old Stage Rd., regarding desire to expand or rebuild the garage, and build a hoop house for existing flower nursery.
- Frieda's Lane – Property purchased by Derrick Baker. Tim Forrester performed wetlands delineation and will identify non-buildable areas. New evaluations indicate that there is more buildable area than previously determined.
- Ruskegan Wildlife Preserve opening – property formerly owned by Judy Kahrl is now owned by KELT, who has announced a soft opening of the property for trail use. It was discussed whether the property should be classified as non-intensive recreational use or as a park. At this time, it will be considered non-intensive unless issues arise. Parking may pose a concern.

Announcements –

- Don Sheldon will be leaving the Planning Board since he is moving to Woolwich. The Board expressed gratitude for his service.

Motion to Adjourn made by Joe at 8:22. Seconded by Jenna. All in favor.

Next Meeting is scheduled for June 4, 2026, at 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Eileen Bonine.