

Town of Arrowsic

Planning Board

Meeting

Sept 3, 2026, 7 PM

In-Person and Via Zoom

Attendees: Vicky Stoneman (PB Chair), Jim Davis (PB), Jenna Howard (PB-acting secretary), David Devens (PB, Newly sworn-in alternate)

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm.

- 7:03 Welcome David Devens – He is now sworn in and will be serving as a full member tonight. He has taken his FOAA Training.
- 7:08 Approval of 8/6/26 Meeting Minutes and 86 Arrowsic Rd and 67 Indian Rest Rd Site Walk Minutes: Motion to approve each by David, second by Jenna, all in favor.
- 7:10 The Chair hands out updated Ordinance as of June 11, 2026
- 7:15 Public Land Concerns:
Vicky summarizes that there was a recent medical emergency at Reskhegan, a KELT Land Trust in Arrowsic, in which an individual was taken out by boat. Joe Bonnett would like to have a conversation amongst the PB about emergency response needs as Arrowsic has a lot of public land including the 3 lighthouses, Mill Island Preserve, HOLT Forest, Nature Conservancy Property on Bald Head, and Reskhegan. We will table this until the next meeting to hear Joe's concerns and thoughts as he was not able to attend tonight's meeting due to a last minute emergency. Additionally, an upcoming emergency response meeting in Bath will take place with Joe Bonnett, PB and Fire Dept member, Dale Carlton, Fire Chief, and Andrew Morgan (KELT) attending.
- Reskhegan:
The PB will be invited to a soft opening in October for the new trail. The Planning Board Chair and CEO got an email from a town resident with concerns about a description they had read of work being done at Reskhegan which, in their opinion, might require permitting. CEO-Mike Field was able to respond, explaining the description was not accurate on the work being done and the rationale as to why permitting was not required. The individual accepted this explanation.

- 7:30 CEO Update:
Tabled to October's meeting
- 7:30 Announcements and such other business as may reasonably come before the Board
- Attorney Kristin Collins will give a one-hour Planning Board Training on LD 2173 at our November PB Meeting (LD 2003 set new land use policies for Maine, 1829 modified this legislation, LD 2173 clarifies it and we will be trained to understand how it will impact us.) Vicky gives an overview of the law's updates and what it means for Arrowsic including that ADUs will need to be approved by CEO instead of Planning Board, and now 5 homes constitute a subdivision instead of 3. These changes are to go into effect July 1, 2027.
- 8:05 Adjourn

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 1, 2026 @ 7:00pm hybrid, second-termers Jim (2031) and Vicky (2030) will be sworn in then.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jenna Howard