

**SBVD PLANNING BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
May 12, 2025**

PRESENT: Joel Spiller, Ed David, Bob Weisner, Joe Balsamo, Robert Gossett, Steve Keaney, Tom Morgan, Don Hawkins

ABSENT: John Giarrusso, Peter Dunn

MEETING OPENED:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Joel Spiller led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes from 12/9/2024 were distributed and reviewed.
The minutes were approved by voice vote.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

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| Joel Spiller nominated as SBVD PB Chairman by: | Ed David |
| Nomination seconded by: | Joe Balsamo |
| Joel Spiller elected by voice vote | |

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| Robert Gossett nominated as SBVD PB Vice-Chairman by: | Joel Spiller |
| Nomination seconded by: | Ed David |
| Robert Gossett elected by voice vote. | |

OLD BUSINESS:

- **O’Keefe/Dunkin Building Expansion:** The O’Keefe expansion plan was approved by the PB on 12/9/2024. There has been no building activity to date.
- **Seabrook Coastal Resiliency Team update:** The Coastal Resiliency Team has made significant progress on the Seabrook Beach Dunes and Walkway Assessment since our last update in December 2024. The final report is expected to be delivered on time in June 2025.
- **Seabrook Master Plan Meeting on Rt.286 Flooding:** Tom Morgan said the Transportation Chapter of the Seabrook MP has been completed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **SBVD Zoning Warrant Articles:** Joel Spiller said all three Zoning warrant articles passed at the April 225 Annual Meeting.
- **Meeting on Rt. 286 Flooding:** There was a regional meeting to address Rt. 286 flooding on January 6, 2025 at the Seabrook Rec Center. Participants included members of the Rockingham Planning Commission, Seabrook and Salisbury planning boards and department heads, Seacoast Resiliency Team members, NH DOT representatives, SBVD Commissioners and PB members and interested members of the public. There was a long discussion on how the coastal towns in Mass and NH could work together on projects to improve chances of getting Federal highway grant money to make improvements like those needed on Rt. 286. The group committed to working on a proposal to the Federal Highway Commission which was is due on 4/7/2025. The grant request is for \$1.4 to have BHP study Rt.286 and make a recommendation for remediation. The NH DOT Commissioner did support the project. As of 5/12/2025 there has been no activity on the grant request. Tom Morgan said most grant requests are on hold while the new Trump administration studies the entire list of requests. There may be more news in June.

OTHER: None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Submitted by,
Don Hawkins

Next PB Meeting: The next meeting will be Monday June 9, 2025 at 7:00 PM. The meeting may be canceled if there are no cases to review or business requiring PB attention.