Planning Board Town of Brooks P.O. Box 5 Brooks, ME 04921

In attendance:

Minutes of Brooks Planning Board August 14, 2006

Members: Heather Quimby, Roxanna Hall, Paul Lawrence, Steve Littlefield, Duke Simoneau

Public: Robert & Patricia Rose, Fred Eickelberg

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM.

Mr. and Mrs. Rose presented an update of their subdivision plans. Copies of their revised plan and the proposed deed restrictions are on file in the Town Office.

Instead of the original 10 new lots, the new plan calls for only six additional lots. Mr. Rose said the change was dictated by the results of percolation tests for the septic systems and a closer examination of the terrain features. The soil tests and surveying is done. Mr. Rose said he has already talked to Road Commissioner Brad Putnam and said Mr. Putnam had no objections to the layout.

General inspection and discussion of the plans. The Board agreed that the next step is a walkthrough followed by a public hearing. It was decided that the public hearing would be at 7PM at the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup> at the Town office. Heather suggested we schedule the hearing at the beginning of the meeting, send letters to the Fire Chief, Road Commissioner, Sheriff, and School Superintendent inviting them to come if they have comments and giving them the opportunity to comment as required by ordinance. Duke will send letters to the various officials and the abutters.

Walk through set for Saturday August 26<sup>th</sup> at 8AM. Some members had a conflict but it was brought up that a quorum is not required for the inspection, only more than one member. Duke, Paul and Heather said they would be available.

The Roses thanked the Board for facilitating the process.

Heather noted that Russell Read's New Forest Institute is progressing and suggested that the Board send him a letter inviting him to the September meeting for an update. Duke to write letter of invitation.

Heather brought up a concern voiced by Tax Map coordinator Dan Mulcahy about the ability for emergency vehicles to access properties on Randall Pond. The road is private, and winds and is in fair condition. There is currently on year round home and another in the works. Since it is handled by the Randall Pond Association, Board decided to send a letter to the Association inviting the chair to the September meeting.

Heather pointed out that there is a class for Planning Board members at the Hutchinson Center on the evening of September 27<sup>th</sup>. She has attended one previously, and said that it is an excellent opportunity for both new and experienced members. She intended to take the class and encouraged others to do the same. Roxy indicated an interest. Cost if \$35 each.

Motion to adjourn made/seconded/unanimously voted. Meeting adjourned at 7:40.

