

June 8, 2026

Town of Benton Planning Board Meeting

Planning Board Members Present: Chair Joe Boutin III, Nowell Brown, Sam Gregory, and Secretary William Darcy; Also Present were Lee Webster and Steve Whitman of the White Mountain Conservation Burial.

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At 6.00 PM the Chair Boutin called the meeting to order.

The Board discussed the fact that all property owners who wanted to erect a structure on their land, regardless of size, must file an application for a building permit. The past informal waiver of a permit for buildings less than 200 square feet no longer applies.

There was a discussion of the various permit applications filed by the White Mountain Conservation Burial for their property at the end of Boucher Road. The Board agreed to recommend to the Selectboard that permits for a latrine or privy and a storage shed should be approved. There was discussion of reduced fees for smaller buildings and multiple new structures on a property. In this case, a \$50 fee was approved for the two minor permits. Secretary Darcy moved, and Member Brown seconded, a motion to issue a driveway permit for the property, which was unanimously approved.

The Board considered and recommended approval of a building permit for building a garage for the parsonage of the Benton Bible Chapel.

The Board elected William Darcy as Secretary to the Board.

The Board unanimously approved the designated William Darcy as the Town's representative to the North Country Council.

The meeting adjourned at 6:27 PM.