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PLAINFIELD RESIDENTS

The Planning Board, in accordance with RSA 231, will hold scenic road hearing on Monday April 2nd 2018 2 starting at 7:00pm at the Meriden Town Hall 110 Main Street. The hearing concerns a request by NH Electric Cooperative to perform routine tree trimming line maintenance on the following Plainfield scenic roads: Colby Hill Rd (1972), Kenyon (1973), Ladieu Rd, Spencer Road (1984) and Under Hill Road (1974). Information outlining the requested road side trimming is available online at www.plainfieldnh.org/planning.html and at the town office at 110 Main Street Meriden village. For those that wish to attend, a site visit to the locations will take place the day of the hearing at 3:00pm starting at the Meriden Town Hall, 110 Main Street Meriden Village. All are welcome.

PLAINFIELD PLANNING BOARD

PLAINFIELD, NH SCENIC ROADS

Black Hill Road from its intersection with Old County Road easterly to its end. 1982

Chellis Road 1984

Colby Hill Road from Mill Bridge westerly to the junction with Columbus Jordan Road. 1972

Daniels Road in its entirety. 1973

Grantham Mountain Road. 1977

Harriman Road. 1978

Kenyon Road in its entirety. 1973

Ladieau Road, Colby Hill intersection to Willow Brook Road. 1984

Pierce Road 1984.

River Road from Ferry Hill Road northerly to State Route 12A. 1972

Spencer Road in its entirety. 1973

Underhill Road in its entirety. 1974

Whitaker Road in its entirety. 1977

Town of Plainfield Planning Board

PO Box 380

Meriden, NH 03781

Dear Mr. Halleran and members of the Plainfield Planning Board,

I'm writing to ask for a public hearing in regards to tree removals and regular maintenance trimming along several "Scenic Roads" in the Town of Plainfield scheduled for 2018 by the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative (NHEC). This scheduled maintenance is to improve the reliablilty of the NHEC electric distribution lines in Plainfield. While most of the scheduled maintenance trimming is not along "Scenic Roads" we will be planning to do this maintenance trimming along portions of Colby Hill Rd., Kenyon Rd., Ladieu Rd., Spencer Rd., and Underhill Rd. There was a significant amount of snow on the ground when I marked these trees so it was difficult to tell if they were within stone walls that delineate town rights of way.

I have attached a map for each of the "Scenic Roads" with this letter. I have also attached an inventory of all the trees that I would like to get permission from the Planning Board to remove during the regular maintenance trimming. My criteria for selecting the identified trees is basically whether or not I think the tree will survive another 5-7 years without catastrophic failure. 5-7 years is the intended interval for trimming these lines again. Our clearance specifications are to essentially get fifteen feet of clearance to each side of our primary conductors and twenty feet of clearance over the wires. We intend to remove all tree species brush growing in the right of way that is not compatible with overhead utilities. We will minimally trim secondary or service wires that go from transformers to homes to a two foot radius clearance. All trees marked for approval with green/black checkered tape.

Please let me know if you have any question regarding the maps or tree inventory I have provided. I look forward to meeting with you before the public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Carlson

NHEC Utility Arborist

Map A Ladieu Rd.

This map is actually the source of the feed to all the single phase taps that will be cut during one of the projects in town. There are no trees that meet scenic road criterial that I would like to remove in these spans highlighted in yellow.

Map A1 Ladieu Rd.

The two highlighted areas are just single phase road crossings off the 3 phase main line. There are no removals that fit the scenic road criteria on this map.

Map A2 Ladieu Rd.

This is an overview of several of the areas that we will be doing regular maintenance. There are two removals marked on this map.

Between pole 6/366A and 366 B there is a 7" pine tree that we will trim most of the living crown off. I'd like permission to remove it as it will be unsightly and struggle to survive after we trim it.

Between poles 6/361 and 361A ½ there is a 14" diameter poplar tree that I would like to remove.

Map C Spencer Rd.

There are no trees on Spencer Rd that meet Scenic road criteria that I would like to remove.

Map D Kenyon Rd.

This area of Kenyon Rd. is a mess. NHEC does not have easement that allows us to remove trees. The easement states that we are only allowed to trim branches that are in contact with the wires. However, I have identified many trees along this road that pose a threat to the safety of the travelling public and the reliability of the electric distribution system. I have also been informed by the abutting landowner, Steven Roland, that he is not granting NHEC permission to remove any trees on his property. I have approximately 25 trees marked for removal with gree/black checkered flagging.

Map E Underhill Rd.

Pole 6/330L

10" Black Cherry

Pole 6/330N

14" Poplar with severe decay and crown decline

Pole 6/330N1

(3) Black Cherry trees in a clump

Pole 6/330N5 28" Hemlock, 10" Basswood and 40" White Pine

Pole 6/330N6 12" Poplar and 14" Hemlock

Pole 6/330N8 8" White Birch that leans out over wires

Pole 6/330N9 14" Ironwood (dead), 7" Sugar maple (wound at stump)

Pole 6/330N10 26" Hemlock (dead)











