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**TOWN OF EXETER
PLANNING BOARD SUBCOMMITTEE (Significant Tree Provision)
DRAFT MINUTES
September 9, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER: Session was called to order at 8:24am

Members Present: Gwen English, Jennifer Martel, and Pete Steckler

Staff Present: Dave Sharples, Town Planner

Committee discussed the significant tree provision (Section 7.4.7 of the Site Plan Review and Subdivision Regulations).

Gwen English stated she reached out to Sylvia Van Aulock, the Town Planner who was involved with the drafting of the provision, and read a portion of her email to the subcommittee.

Committee discussed what should constitute a “significant” tree.

Committee recommended revising Section 7.4.7 by changing 16-inches as measured from 12-inches above the ground to 20-inches diameter at breast height. Also suggested that the tree survey is limited to the proposed area of disturbance.

Committee suggested requiring applicants to identify the significant trees that are proposed for removal on the Existing Conditions Plan and to identify the significant trees to remain on the Site/Subdivision Plan.

Dave Sharples informed the Committee that he would draft language consistent with the discussion and send it out to committee members for review and comment.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15am

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Sharples
Town Planner