

TOWN OF WATERFORD
PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING DATED MARCH 18, 2015
MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Bill Dimick, Howard Remick, Mike Barrett,
John Gillott, Bob duMaire, Dave Senio**

MEMBERS ABSENT: **Tom Robinson**

NONMEMBERS PRESENT: **Christopher Brimmer, Irene Nagle**

The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 P.M. by Bill.

Due to lack of quorum for the PC meeting on February 18, 2015, Bill reviewed the minutes from the January 21, 2015, meeting. Upon review Howard made a motion to approve, Bob seconded, all were in favor, and the minutes were approved.

A new member of the Planning Commission, Dave Senio, was introduced to the board members. He provided his pertinent information (email, etc.), to enable him to receive future correspondence.

Bill then handed the meeting over to Irene Nagle from NVDA. As a courtesy to Dave she provided insight into her purpose at the meeting and presented a brief overview of NVDA. She then provided handouts, including a sample plan implementation table and town plan element review, to assist the commission in its goal to complete an updated Town Plan. She indicated that we are still in need of updated data from multiple town departments (highway, FD, etc.) to put into the town plan. She then requested a copy of the Waterford Town Plan in Microsoft Word form, which Mike Barrett provided to her.

A thorough review of the current town plan was discussed, with a request that board members pick a section to review and present back to the Commission. The breakdown for this is as follows: Housing & Community Facilities – Mike , Land Use – John, Transportation – Bill, Energy Plan – Dave, Adjacent Towns – Irene.

Mike requested an update on the Town Survey, specifically how many had been completed. Irene was able to confirm that 42 were completed online; Howard confirmed 7 paper copies had been completed. Concern was raised over the lack of interest; a discussion was held on sending post cards to all taxpayers in town notifying them that the survey is online and available to pick up at the town offices, library and school. Mike will ensure this is completed.

Irene questioned when would be an appropriate time to have a public hearing to present the findings of the survey and seek appropriate input for updating the town plan. The board discussed multiple options, including holding it on a Selectboard meeting night, etc. It was confirmed that it would be best held on a regular Planning Commission meeting night, a possible

location may be the Fire Department, and refreshments may be served. It is tentatively scheduled for May 20, 2015.

Administrative Officer Christopher Brimmer reminded the board of the need for a public meeting about the interim subdivision regulation change. While briefly discussed, in the interest of Irene's time members completed the discussion on the public forum for the town plan.

Election of Chair and Co-Chair was held. Bob duMaire nominated Bill Dimick, seconded by Howard, and he was approved. Co-chair nomination was for Howard, made by Bill, seconded by Bob, and all voted in favor.

The board continued its discussion of the subdivision regulation from earlier in the meeting. Concern over the current wording of the subdivision regulation has the board worried; the board discussed the need to do a warning for a public meeting to discuss necessary changes, including proper definitions of a right of way, street (minor), etc.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Barrett, acting Secretary

Approved: