

February 2, 2012

PC Members Present: Rick Hopkins (Chair), Jean Vissering, Tom Pierce, Ken Santor, Jack Pauly, Kim Watson, Gene Troia, Scott Hess

Others Present: Kristi Flynn (Recording Secretary), Julie Potter

Call to Order: 7:02pm

Public Comment: None

Changes to Agenda: None

Discussion regarding 1/21/12 energy-related event – Scott Hess

There were close to 20 people in attendance where an open brainstorming session was held. The sponsoring group will consolidate the ideas from the different groups and create a survey to be handed out at Town Meeting. Hess will remind Dave Grundy and Carl Ettnier to submit a draft of the energy section of the Town Plan to the PC as soon as possible.

Town Plan Discussion

The Chair has checked with the CVRPC regarding the PC's request for data. Sue Sinclair will check with her office and get back to the PC as soon as possible.

Business Activity/Economic Activity (Scott Hess)

- Re-name section to Economic Development
- Show business diversity in town, as well as challenges
 - Challenges – access to high-speed internet, water, sewer
- Village vs industrial zone
- Make sure the section is positive in nature instead of negative
- Include agriculture as local business
- Under Actions, keep the concept but remove the reference to Revolving Loan Committee
- Check to see what businesses are new to town
 - Secretary of State's website shows registered business names

Water Supplies and Aquifers (Paul Erlbaum)

- Town acknowledgment of S.304 relating to the management of groundwater
- Need separate headings for private wells, public supply and groundwater
- What is the purpose of the section? Include issue in Current Status
- From page 2, remove the reference to a problem with access to water for fighting fires
- Goal #3 – re-word; drop the second sentence
- PC sees too much emphasis on large-scale withdrawal of groundwater
- Consolidate action items; delete the last two actions
- Bullet #4 – mention Central Vermont Solid Waste District (CVSWD)

Review at next meeting

- Wastewater Disposal
- Solid Waste Disposal
- Social Services
- History Excerpts

Review of Minutes

January 19, 2012

Motion: I move to approve as amended. Made: Troia, second: Santor

Vote on Motion: Passed 8-0

ZA Report

Chair will check with ZA to see if a Notice of Violation was sent to Vermont Compost Company.

DRB Report

Sanfacon site visit took place on 1/28/12; the appeal hearing will take place on 2/7/12. Gene Troia will serve as alternate for Kim Watson at the 2/7 hearing. DRB will also be meeting on 2/21/12.

Other Business

Friends of Coburn Pond have received a \$1000 grant.

Next meeting Thursday, February 16, 2012

Motion to adjourn. Made by Mr. Santor; seconded by Mr. Troia. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:25p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kristi Flynn, Recording Secretary