

March 1, 2012

PC Members Present: Rick Hopkins (Chair), Jean Vissering, Jack Pauly, Kim Watson, Scott Hess

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

Call to Order: 7:04pm

Public Comment: None

Changes to Agenda: None

Town Plan Discussion

PC reviewed draft proposed chapters to the town plan

Excerpts of history from other chapters (prepared by Dave Coburn)

- PC agreed each chapter should have its own history section
- Re-insert into the beginning of each chapter
- Have someone (Lyn Blackwell?) review the sections, particularly Historic Resources
- In the overview history section at the beginning of the document, define history (more than 25 years ago) and background (more recent history to 20 years)
- Chapters don't all have to utilize the same format
- Ask Dave to focus on "A Look at the Town" and Historic Resources sections

Education (EMES)

PC would like this chapter to be fleshed out:

- What would they like for the future, goals for the next 5 years
- Stress importance of education
- Recent stats, update class size, enrollment numbers
- Still waiting for piece from U-32
- PC can integrate the section, update the data and send back out for review

Villages & Growth Areas 2nd Draft(Vissering)

- Consistent – East Montpelier Village
- Need map of Village Designation area
- Revise EMSLI paragraph
- Add map of Fire District or refer to Water Supplies chapter
- Note other historical structures in Center Road area
- Gallison Hill growth area: available land, access to sewer/water, close to commerce/Montpelier
- Ask ZA regarding number of units in Sandy Pines
- Next draft will be 3rd draft, essentially complete

Water Supplies & Aquifers 2nd Draft (Erlbaum, Hopkins)

- Revised Current Status: public, private, groundwater
- Re-word goal #3
- Action – discuss last one regarding conservation overlay
- Support formation of Fire District & provide encouragement
- Continued communication and coordination between Fire District and town officials re: land use & village planning matters
- Sb, SB, and Select Board should be Selectboard consistently throughout the document

Earth Resources 2nd Draft (Hopkins)

- Goal – no development on potential earth resources; if development, ensure there is no conflict
- History – data from the town
- Geologic study will provide more information
- Action re: identifying favorable sites

Next Meeting

- Economic Development
- Land Use & Zoning

ZA Report

Nothing new reported.

Review of Minutes

February 16, 2012 – tabled to next meeting

DRB Report

2/21/12 – 3 hearings

Rubin Bennett – approved with conditions (noise)

T. Wayne Clark – 4-lot subdivision on Codling Road, has 75 acres in current use, given preliminary approval, needs access permit

Sanfacon appeal – DRB denied the appeal, written decision within 30 days

Upcoming 3/20/12 meeting – 2 hearings

Hawkins 2-lot subdivision, continued from 2/21 meeting, needs access permit

Woodward & Utton – subdivision on Lyle Young Road

Election Day – write in Mark Lane for Planning Commissioner

Next meeting Thursday, March 15, 2012

Motion to adjourn. Made by Mr. Hess; seconded by Mr. Pauly. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:15p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kristi Flynn, Recording Secretary