

March 20, 2014

PC Members Present: Jean Vissering (Vice Chair), Scott Hess, Julie Potter, Norman Hill, Mark Lane, Kim Watson

Others Present: Kristi Flynn (Recording Secretary), Phillip Heinz, Rob Halpert, Art Chickering

Call to Order: 7:05pm

Public Comment: None

Additions to the Agenda: None

Interview of Applicants for Planning Commission Vacancy

Phillip Heinz

Why interested? Enjoys participation, unique to EM

Background/strength – science education, self-driven learner

Willing to do homework – yes

Time – available on Thursdays

Read Town Plan/Regulations – not familiar, willing to learn

Rob Halpert

Why – love EM, always wanted to participate in town activities, good fit

Background – deals with town plans and zoning regulations in professional life

Homework – yes

Time – generally available Thursdays

TP/Regs – has read

Sarah Hofman

Why – interested in civic participation

Background – Public Service Board, planning/siting energy projects, familiar with town plans

TP/Regs – only read generally

Time – 1st Thursday every other month may be an issue because of prior commitment

Homework – yes, definitely

Art Chickering

Why – want to give back to the community

Background – interest in environmental concerns, has been involved in strategic planning

Time – available on Thursdays

Homework – yes

TP/Regs – somewhat familiar

Discussion – PC recommends Rob Halpert to be appointed to the PC vacancy based on his professional experience and presentation to the PC. The appointment would be for one year, until the next Town Meeting.

Preliminary Review of Draft Flood Hazard Regulations from CVRPC

Tabled to 4/3 meeting

Review of Planning Commission Rules of Procedure and Ethics

Tabled to future meeting, probably 3rd Thursday in April

Continuation of Discussion on Possible Revisions to Zoning Regulations

PC reviewed the final draft of Table 2.6. This will be re-visited after the Fluvial Erosion Hazard regulations are completed.

Review Minutes

March 6, 2014

Motion: I move to approve the minutes as amended. Made: Ms. Potter, second: Mr. Lane

Vote on Motion: Passed 5-0; Watson abstained

ZA Report

2 new permits for 2014

DRB Report

The Cote subdivision, the Blake addition and the Mascitti garage/mudroom addition were approved. The next meeting is April 15th.

Motion to Adjourn. Made: Mr. Hill, second: Ms. Watson. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kristi Flynn, Recording Secretary