

*Minutes of the East Montpelier Planning Commission*

*APPROVED 5/2/13*

*Respectfully submitted by Kim Watson, Corresponding Secretary*

April 18, 2013

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

Others Present: None

**Call to Order:** 7:05pm

**Public Comment:** None

**Additions to the Agenda:** None

**Election of PC Officers**

**Motion: I move to nominate the current slate of Officers (if they accept) to be reelected into their current positions. Current officers accepted the request.** Made: Hess, second Troia

Vote on Motion: Passed 8-0

**Contact information**

Contact information for PC members, DRB, and Selectboard handed out. Changes noted: Julie's number is home phone not cell. Kim has no home phone# just cell.

**Update on Current Status of Draft Town Plan**

Bruce sent out the final draft which will be the version used for the Public hearing.

Discussions will be on the agenda for May 6<sup>th</sup>. Rick asked if someone could attend to answer questions. Kim agreed to go on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Selectboard scheduled hearing: May 13<sup>th</sup> is the first hearing. Jean will attend. Others are invited to attend.

June 3<sup>rd</sup> will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> hearing.

The hearings start at 7PM and PC members present only need to be there to listen and if requested to answer questions.

The document was also sent to Deb Fillon for publication and editing. Jean indicated that although she will publish the document in the publishing software Quark, the PC will also have a saved version in Word for future editing and additions.

It will be available on the Signpost and some copies are made available for the meeting.

There may be edits and comments that come out of the hearings but the Selectboard has the authority to approve or to accept as is.

**Continued Development of Concepts for Future 2013 PC activities**

Continue the hit lists from the 2/21 and 3/7 meeting

Scott to generate a hit list of topics from the town plan

Capitol planning: Kim to prepare a letter to the Selectboard to guidelines for capitol budgeting and what the role of the PC would look like.

Other activities: include zoning updates, meeting with DRB to go over zoning updates

**Review of Minutes**

April 4, 2013

**Motion: I move to approve as presented.** Made: Watson, second: Vissering

**Vote on Motion:** Passed 7, 1 abstention

**Review and Discuss Material Regarding CVRPC/CVEDC Potential Merger**

Julie has been appointed by the Selectboard to be the CVRPC alternate. Consolidation materials handed out to the PC to review for the merger. Potter agreed to go over the materials and report back to the PC on what the next steps will be if these two boards consolidate and what it will mean to EM and central VT.

**DRB Report**

- No meeting, next meeting May 7<sup>th</sup>. DRB hearing: EMSLI hearing on property on RT2, Taylor/Anderson Barn in conservation overlay district, and Old Meeting House construction of a shed.

**Other Business**

Handouts:

- Farming and Local Zoning handout from Department of Agriculture – all pages
- Potter has registered for the Planning forum being held in May at Lake Morey. If others are interested in going or know of others she would like to car pool.

**Motion to Adjourn.** Made: Troia, second: Potter Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.