

July 21, 2016

PC Members Present: Jean Vissering (Chair), Julie Potter, Jay Stewart, Ray Stout, Jack Pauly, Scott Hess, Mark Lane

Others Present: Kristi Flynn (Recording Clerk), Eric Vorwald

Call to order: 8:00pm

Changes to Agenda – CVRPC update

Public Comment – None

East Montpelier Village Master Plan: Reflections on Village Planning Open House; Identify Overall Impressions; Discuss Next Steps

Reflections from PC members:

- 8 people came, were truly interested and stayed for awhile
- PC must promote the Rally for the Village
- Primary on August 9th
 - Have someone here the whole day; have materials/maps hung up
 - Ms. Potter will check with TA to ask whether PC can be at the polling place
- Post pdf version of materials on the town website
 - Give a deadline for feedback
 - Mr. Vorwald will send a pdf version to the Chair
- Most people mentioned walkability and a gathering space
- Good first step to get people's thoughts
 - Surprised that people were comfortable with higher density and larger village boundary
- Follow the water line/fire district boundary
- Great advantage is owning the Old LaPerle Farm property; no owner to discourage change
- What are the advantages of being in the village?

Next steps:

- Promote the Rally
- 8/4 – Executive Director of Downstreet
 - Affordable, senior housing options
 - What needs to be in place for these to work
 - Downstreet was involved with the study for EMSLI on the LaPerle property
- September – Britt Haselton from Vermont Land Trust will attend one of the PC meetings
- October – next public outreach event

East Montpelier Village Master Plan: Update on September 10, 2016 "Rally for the Village"

- There will be a tent on the green
- Becky Brown will be in charge of kids' activities
- Fire Department will provide lunch on the green

Update on East Montpelier Old Laperle Farm Property Committee

Mr. Stout reported that Amy Macrellis from Stone Environmental will be attending the committee's meeting on August 8th. They will be discussing testing of the property. A suggestion was made to apply for a Municipal Planning Grant. The MPG is slanted towards downtowns and village centers and the state likes to build off of other projects.

Review Minutes

July 7, 2016

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

Vote on Motion: Passed 7-0

ZA Report

6 new permits since last meeting

DRB Report

- Holmes / Heiss variance for a closed-in patio was approved
- Friedland conditional use for a home bakery on County Road was approved
- Sketch plan for Duane Wells on East Hill Road – subdividing Lot 10 into 2 lots: Lot 9 and remainder Lot 10

- Sketch plan for Jason Cote-Wong – 3-lot subdivision off Route 2 behind Delair's Carpet Barn: build house on Lot 1, sell Lot 2, keep remainder Lot 3 for future PRD
- Next meeting is August 2

Other Business

- Ms. Potter reported that the CVRPC re-adopted the tweaked version of the 2008 Regional Plan with minor edits to focus on the Regional Energy Plan; the CVRPC will not meet in August

Motion to Adjourn. Made: Mr. Hess, second: Mr. Lane. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kristi Flynn, Recording Clerk