Dummerston Planning Commission

Unapproved Minutes

March 11, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 6:58pm at the Dummerston Town Office by Sam Farwell

Members Present: Rich Cogliano, Sam Farwell, Deb Forett, Andrew McFarland, Cindy Wilcox (left

after organizational meeting)

Absent: Annamarie Pluhar, Bev Tier, Maria Glabach

Public present: Charlotte Annis (Zoning Administrator), Zeke Goodband (Selectboard), Claudia

Teachman, Alexandra Barstow

1. Approve minutes of 2/3/15

On a motion by Andrew seconded by Deb the minutes were approved as submitted

2. Correspondence

Mail received from Town of Brattleboro announcing updates to Town Plan

3. Organizational Meeting (run by Zoning Administrator)

Charlotte asked for nominations; Andrew nominated the current officers for reelection, seconded by Deb; no other nominations were given; the vote was unanimous:

Chair: Sam Farwell Vice Chair: Rich Cogliano Secretary: Annamarie Pluhar

4. Questions from the public about the Zoning Bylaw update

Sam gave a brief overview of the proposed update and how it differs from current zoning. Alexandra mentioned her interest in the Dummerston Center district. We reviewed the changes made to that district after feedback from residents at the public forums. Claudia asked what steps follow the public hearing before the Selectboard adopts the new zoning bylaw. We reviewed the process: PC will vote to send to Selectboard or make revisions; if we send it to the SB they will hold a public hearing; after the hearing they will vote to adopt or to make changes; any significant changes would require another public hearing. Zeke said he thought the PC had done a thorough job on the bylaw update and that the SB may be less inclined than they were with the Town Plan update to make any further revisions. There being no other questions from the public, this portion of the meeting was closed.

5. Goals for 2015

Determine commissioner/subcommittees that will work on each priority

General discussion in which members indicated their interests in the different issues we may work on in 2015. Since we did not have a quorum at this point, no action was taken.

6. Other business

Items for next meeting agenda: see item 5 above

Logistics for public hearing: Rich will bring projector; everyone will come at 6:45 to set up tables and chairs.

Meeting adjourned at about 7:45

Public Hearing: Tuesday, April 7, 7:00 in the Dummerston Church basement

Next regular meeting: Tuesday, May 5, 6:30, Town Office

Submitted by Sam Farwell