

UNAPPROVED

MINUTES OF COMBINED SELECTBOARD/PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING October 13, 2010

This meeting was called to order at 7:00pm at the Evening Star Grange in Dummerston, Vermont.

Selectboard Members Present: Chair Andrew MacFarland, Tom Bodett, Greg Brown, Wayne Emery, and Zeke Goodband

Planning Commission Members Present: Chair Cindy Wilcox, Elizabeth Catlin, Deb Forrett, Steve Glabach, Matthew Hoffman, Steve Mindel, Regina Rockefeller, and David Ryan

Also Present: Ruth Barton, Brenda Davis, Nelson Jillson, Dan Normandeau, Bill & Mary Lou Schmidt, Gail & Lew Sorenson, Claudia Teachman-Blocher, Charlie & Deb Titus, Mark Whitaker, and Laurie Frechette

Andrew began the meeting by addressing some concerns previously introduced by citizens regarding adherence to Open Meeting laws; lack of minutes and agendas for Planning Commission meetings, etc. Cindy responded that the issue of agendas and minutes has been addressed.

It was agreed that Laurie will warn all meetings with the understanding that she receive the information in writing in a timely fashion. Laurie also agreed to work with Kevin Ryan to set up a system to post all minutes and agendas on the Town's website. These will be posted when they are received from the various commissions, committees, etc.

Reg announced that the zoning bylaw committee will meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7pm at the Town Office. There is no set timeline yet for adoption of new bylaws. The committee will sponsor a series of public forums. Some of the topics to be addressed are: setbacks, signs, allowed uses, home businesses/home occupations.

It was agreed that all public forums will be recorded and minutes will be taken.

Deb Titus asked to have the minutes reflect that not all of Sweet Tree Farm is conserved; there are 2-3 building lots on the west side of RT 5.

Discussion took place regarding the RT 5 and RT 30 corridor study committee. It was agreed that the committee be appointed by the Selectboard and should be comprised of the following: 1 Selectboard member; 1 Planning Commission member; 1 Conservation Commission member; 1 Farmland Committee member, and 3 residents.

At 6pm on November 3rd, the Windham Regional Commission will hold their public hearing on the newly adopted Town Plan. This hearing will be held at the beginning of the Planning Commission's meeting at the Town Office.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52pm.

Approved

Andrew MacFarland, Chair

Wayne Emery, Clerk

Submitted by: Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant