July 12, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 at the Southern Vermont Learning Collaborative in Dummerston, Vermont.

Members present: Steve Glabach, Lew Sorenson, Greg Brown, Beverly Tier, Mark Whitaker, Jack Manix, Bill Schmidt Also present: Cindy Wilcox, Nelson Jillson, Mathew Hoffman, Zeke Goodband

On a motion from Greg with second from Bill, the minutes from the May 10° meeting were approved.

Greg began the discussion on Future Meetings by stating he would like to look at other data and hear from other Town committees. Much discussion followed. Jack moved with a second from Lew, to invite representatives from the Housing, Farmland, Conservation, the Planning Commission's Ag sub-committee, Energy Committee and the Listers to the August 9th meeting. The motion passed 7-0.

Bill wanted all Committee members to read the Zoning Bylaws and Town Plan sections relating to the Committee's work. He made a motion with a second from Greg to discuss the Zoning Bylaws and Town Plan sections relating to RT 5 & 30 at the September meeting. The motion passed with 5 in favor, 1 nay, and 1 abstention.

Beverly asked that the Committee review the public comment it has heard sooner rather than later.

The topic of non-conforming lots was briefly discussed but no action was taken.

J & B auto was discussed next; Jack moved that the Committee recommend that the Rural/Commercial district be extended to include the J&B property. After discussing this, members of the committee were uncertain as to lot numbers, property lines and what other properties might be affected. Jack moved, with a second from Bev, to investigate how best to remedy the situation that now has J&B Auto in a Rural/Residential district. The motion passed.

On the topic of the Commercial/ Industrial Overlay: after studying the overlay members thought the map may be incorrect. This needs more research and to be looked at more closely. The question was raised as to whether the overlay needs to extend east of I91.

Cindy Wilcox suggested the Committee use the Town View computer program and offered to bring her computer to the next meeting.

There being no other business to come before this meeting, Mark moved, with a second from Lew, to adjourn. The motion passed at 7:50.

Next meeting: August 9th, 6:30 pm. Place TBA