

Dummerston Planning Commission
Dummerston Town Offices
DEC 1st, 2009 Convened 5:00pm

Present: Commission members Steve Mindel, Elizabeth Catlin, Reg Rockefeller, Corin Nelsen, David Ryan, Bob Wainright and Cindy Wilcox.

Guests: Charlotte Annis ZA, Tom Bodett and Zeke Goodband Selectboard, Steve and Maria Glabach, Steve Meggiolaro, and Matthew Hoffman, Conservation Commission and soon-to-be Planning Commissioner

1. Review of Nov Minutes: Approved with the correction of Steve's last name= Meggiolaro. Steve Mindel will follow up with SB to ask Matthew to be appointed to the DPC.

2. BUDGET: FY 2011 (July 2010-June2011)

Laurie and Charlotte went to some length to break out both FY2009 expenditures and YTD expenditures for FY2010

It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously to propose splitting out the DRB and ZA line items separately from DPC budgets. This will also make Laurie's accounting easier, in addition to having more accurate assessments of what each body has available at any given time.

	FY 2009 budget	FY 2009 actually	FY2010 budget (full)	YTD 2010 actual (5 mo)	FY2011 proposed	FY2011 DPC	FY2011 DRB	FY2011 ZA
WAGES (ZA)	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 7,406.05	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 3,736.53	\$ 10,000.00			\$10,000.00
SUPPLIES/POSTAGE	\$ 500.00	\$ 634.38	\$ 200.00	\$ 85.05	\$ 400.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00
LEGAL NOTICES	\$ 800.00	\$ 787.90	\$ 800.00	\$ 355.56	\$ 900.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 750.00	\$ -
MEETINGS/TRAINING	\$ 700.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 700.00	\$ -	\$ 350.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 150.00
CONSULTING	NA	NA	\$ 250.00	\$ -	None			
TRAVEL	\$ 500.00	\$ 98.39	\$ 300.00	\$ 128.15	\$ 500.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 300.00
PRINTING	NA	NA	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 469.75	\$ 1,300.00	\$1,200.00		\$ 100.00
Totals:	\$10,500.00	\$ 9,026.72	\$11,250.00	\$ 4,775.04	\$13,450.00	\$1,650.00	\$1,050.00	\$10,750.00

Proposed budget and breakout:

Travel :increase to \$500 ;\$300 ZA, 100 each for DPC and DRB.

Meetings: decrease to \$350; 150 for ZA, 100 each for DPC and DRB

Postage: increase to\$400; 100 DRB, 100 DPC and 200 for ZA

ZA wages: increase to \$10,000 (increase from 12 to 15 hours per week to cover both current unpaid time and additional time needed for enforcement and digitizing past permits.

It was requested that if the SB raises town employees rates, Charlotte's should increase as well!

Legal Notices: increase to \$900 ; 750 DRB and 150 DPC

Eliminate the Technical & Consulting (was \$250)

*Charlotte will clarify that this is not needed with Pam before finalizing this elimination

Printing budget- increase to \$1300; 1200 DPC and 100 ZA

NOTE: the printing increase is due to both Town Plan and forthcoming Zoning printing... Tom noted that the Town may be approving a new printer that would allow us to do more in-house printing for less...

3. Zoning Subcommittee. Next meeting is the 10th at the DHS next door to the Town Offices. Last meeting- Reviewed setback proposal. Started Home Business and Occupation discussions- Josh from WRC will be researching other towns approaches to HB definitions...

4. Town Plan-

Elizabeth's proposals for the revision process:

It will be with the whole DPC and not just the subcommittee.

Meet Every other Tuesday: Jan 5, 19, Feb 2, 16 (March 9th would be the next alternate)

Cindy will try to reserve the church for the meetings except for the 5th.

On the 5th we will start at 5pm with a motion to enter a deliberative session, NOT open to the public, but that we would invite the Selectboard so that we can avoid going down any paths that they would reject later anyway, and we get clarifications on how they weighed the public input into their proposed changes. The Deliberative session concept was supported by everyone (including Steve Glabach) so that we can start the process rolling smoothly, and then enter into sessions where the public can provide their input.

After various discussions, it seems that January 19th will likely be the first public meeting where the Land Use section (and directly related sections) will be discussed. Tom mentioned that Stowe recently did a new plan that may have some Land Use ideas... a good thing to check out simply for addressing some specific areas of concern, not as a place to start over from...

-Matthew is going to come to the next meeting with a definition of "Critical Conservation"

-Cindy mentioned and it was duly noted that in this revision process we still have to keep in mind what is enforceable by Zoning, as the Plan does inform how zoning is implemented...

-Bob also noted that we may have to keep some of the original, harder language in order to comply with the direction the State and Environmental Court are going...

meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm