

Dummerston Zoning Bylaw Committee
DRAFT minutes from meeting on January 21, 2010

PRESENT: Charlotte Annis, Greg Brown, Corin Nelsen, Paul Normandeau, Regina Rockefeller, Lew Sorenson, Cindy Wilcox

ABSENT: None

The meeting was held at the Dummerston Historical Society on January 21, 2010 at 8:30 am.

The Committee discussed the issue of the Town Plan process taking longer than anticipated. The deadline for the grant dollars to cover the work performed by Windham Regional Commission for the Zoning bylaw rewrite is April. Reg will check with Susan McMahon at WRC to see if any kind of extension time would be possible. Since it is highly unlikely that would be the case, the committee discussed how we could work efficiently and effectively on the changes and updates that the bylaw requires.

Charlotte forwarded to us information on waivers and another copy of the list that was compiled with some of the “glitches” in the bylaw. The committee focused on this list. It was decided that some of the following items would be given to Josh O’Neill at WRC to begin work on:

Definitions - JOSH

Updated language to address non-conformities within the bylaw. – JOSH

Waivers - JOSH

Home Business/Home Occupation section- already discussed and worked on – JOSH

Lot Sizes

Setbacks – JOSH – we already worked on

Residential District – from new Town Plan proposal – WRC

Subdivision Section in the bylaw – Greg and Lew will meet with Josh and Susan

Re-work section 724 – JOSH

Section 726 will need to be reworked for Conservation and other reviews – JOSH

Section 702 – check State law for allowance of a site plan review of single and two family dwelling in a Conservation District. We checked and found the answer to be No. Have WRC check and see what other towns do in this case. If we need to re-name it what has been done elsewhere. – JOSH

Rename Zoning Bylaw – perhaps to include new sections. Have WRC see what other towns have done. – JOSH

Signs – Have Josh work on Sections 701, 665-670 and 724. Clear up glitches in these sections. – JOSH

Change of Use – Definition for this and go through bylaw and clean up within bylaw. – JOSH

The Committee discussed what sections we may want to have public meetings for: Setbacks/Waivers
Home Business
Subdivision Language

In discussing the Village District Section 235 we agreed to remove Lot Front Minimum.

The next meeting was set for January 26, 2010 at 8:30 am at Windham Regional Commission, Brattleboro, VT.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Reg Rockefeller