

CITIZEN PLANNING COMMITTEE

March 20, 2018 Minutes

Meeting Called to Order: 6:05 pm

Present: Pamela Hamel, Chair; Bernard Dauphinais, Vickie Kimball, Steve Lindsey, Tony Tavares, Michele Lacroix, Deborah Johnson, Planning Board Liaison

Absent: member, Bonnie Lane and CPC Planning Consultant, Steve Whitman

Town resident attendees: Ann & Jim Joyce, Ray Blake

The Committee waived the reading of the January 29 and February 5 Minutes. Following review by Committee Members, the Minutes were approved as presented.

The Committee then addressed the items on the Agenda:

The Chair reported:

1. She had contacted Steve to discuss the Committee concerns on the Open House Summary Report with the following results -
 - The committees desire that the summary should tabulate the resident comments under each area of concern, i.e., dimensional standards, permitted use, district zoning, ETC. was addressed in the latest draft
 - However, Tony's suggestion to compile the comments as statistics in a frequency chart would not be addressed by Steve for the following reasons –the task was not scoped in his contract and the data is not statistically valid but more a sense of how people feel

The Chair and several committee members raised the question if we felt we had enough feedback from property owners and residents to begin to consider what if any zoning we should consider. Discussion resulted in general agreement that:

- the town character themes of “small town, rural, dark skies (no intrusive lighting), clean water ETC. seemed to be repetitive threads in the comments.
- The Committee further agreed for the need, at a later point, for a survey and/or another gathering, aimed at introducing the residents to the direction and specifics the committee was considering.
- It was agreed that a meeting with the Select and Planning Boards, Conservation Commission and ZBA should be scheduled for late May to obtain their input before drafting begins.

Committee Assignments:

- Deb will look at the responses from the Open House and format them in a frequency chart
- The Committee members will review the 2017 Master Plan and be prepared to discuss their thoughts on additional planning/zoning. Deb also suggested the members look at the book entitled “Innovative Land Use Planning Techniques”. There is one hard copy in the planning board library and a link on the web which Pam could send to CPC members.

Next meeting was set for April 5, 2018 at 6:30 PM

Meeting Closed at 6:55 PM

Submitted
Deb Johnson