



**PLANNING BOARD WORKSHOP MINUTES
TOWN OF FOSTER
Benjamin Eddy Building, 6 South Killingly Road
February 6, 2008, 7:30 pm**

A. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:32 by Julia Parmentier, Chair.

B. Roll Call

Present were Julia Parmentier, Chair, Helen Hardy Secretary, Tom Mercier, John Neale. The following board members were excused: Pat Moreau, Vice-Chair, Mike Carpenter and Don Moyer. Also in attendance was Ann-Marie Ignasher, Town Planner, and Kathryn Zuromski, Conservation Commission Rep.

C. Approval of Minutes

January 02, 2008 ó John Neale moved and Tom Mercier seconded to approve the minutes of 01/02/08 as corrected. Motion carried unanimously. 4-0

January 16, 2008 ó Tom Mercier moved and John Neale seconded to approve the minutes of 01/16/08 as corrected. Motion carried unanimously. 4-0

January 26, 2008 ó John Neale moved and Tom Mercier seconded to approve the minutes of 01/26/08. Julia, John and Helen voted aye and Tom abstained, motion carried. 3-0

D. Correspondence

None.

E. Board Member Reports

John Neale reported that the Land Trust opened the three (3) bids received for doing work on their properties wherein the person doing the work would keep the hay in lieu of payment for the work. The Land Trust expects to take action on that at the next Land Trust Meeting.

F. Public Hearings

None

G. Subdivisions

None

H. Commercial Site Review

None

I. Old Business

a. Rt. 6 Rezoning- this was covered in the minutes. Tom Mercier moved and John Neale seconded to approve the tentative schedule for the public information meeting as proposed by the Workshop Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Review Statutes

Tony Lachowicz will present on the proposed amendment at the 03/05/08 meeting.

Board Members are asked to submit comments to Ann-Marie prior to 02/20/08 meeting.

J. New Business

a. Review RFP for New GIS System- Tom Mercier moved and John Neale seconded to table this until the next workshop meeting.

b. 2008 - 2009 Fiscal Year Budget ó Jon Neale moved and Tom seconded to approve the 2008-2009 operating budget for the planning department. Motion carried unanimously.

For Informational Purposes: Thursday, 02/14/08 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. is a Town Council Budget Workshop, and there is another workshop on 02/16/08.

K. Planner's Report

1. Ann-Marie presented the Capital Budget.

2. Gloucester Planner notified our Planner that a major subdivision, with parcel in both towns, was to go before the Gloucester Planning Board on 02/04/08. As of today, no word on what occurred.

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L. Future Agenda Items

1. Tony Lachowicz to attend our March 5, 2008 meeting.
2. Comments on affordable housing and conservation planning ordinance comments are due to Ann-Marie before the 02/20/08 meeting.
3. Blackman Residential Compound ó issue with driveway.
4. Twisted Liquors Parking óhave Bob Fallon verify status.

M. Adjournment

Tom Mercier moved to adjourn at 8:44. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Helen Hardy
Secretary