



**PLANNING BOARD MINUTES**  
**TOWN OF FOSTER**  
**Benjamin Eddy Building, 6 South Killingly Road, Foster, RI**  
**Wednesday: April 7, 2010 7:00 p.m.**

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**A. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by John Neale, Vice Chair at 7:07 p.m.

**B. Roll Call**

Present from the Planning Board were John Neale, Vice Chair; Helen Hardy, Secretary; members Julia Parmentier, and Mike Carpenter. Pat Moreau, Marcia Bowden and Tom Mercier were excused. Also present was Ann-Marie Ignasher, Town Planner.

**C. Approval of Minutes**

**Planning Board Meeting January 20, 2010**

Julia Parmentier moved to approve the minutes of January 20, 2010 with corrections, seconded by Mike Carpenter. Motion carried 4 – 0.

**Rte 6 Rezoning Workshop January 23, 2010**

Mike Carpenter moved to approve the minutes of January 23, 2010 as corrected, seconded by Helen Hardy. Motion carried 4 – 0.

**Planning Board Meeting February 3, 2010**

Mike Carpenter moved to approve the minutes of February 3, 2010 as corrected, seconded by Julia Parmentier. Motion carried 4 – 0.

**Rte 6 Rezoning Workshop February 5, 2010**

Helen Hardy moved to table the minutes of February 5, 2010 until April 21, 2010, seconded by Mike Carpenter. Motioned carried 4 – 0.

**Planning Board Meeting February 17, 2010**

Mike Carpenter moved to approve the minutes of February 17, 2010 as corrected, seconded by Julia Parmentier. Motioned carried 4 – 0.

**Rte 6 Rezoning Meeting February 20, 2010**

Mike Carpenter moved to approve the minutes of February 20, 2010, seconded by Julia Parmentier. Motion carried 4 – 0.

**Planning Board Meeting February 23, 2010**

Mike Carpenter moved to approve the minutes of February 23, 2010 as corrected, seconded by Helen Hardy. Motion carried 4 – 0.

**Planning Board Meeting March 3, 2010**

Julia Parmentier moved to approve the minutes of March 3, 2010, seconded by Helen Hardy. Motion carried 4 – 0.

**Planning Board Meeting March 10, 2010**

**Planning Board Meeting March 17, 2010**

**Rte 6 Rezoning workshop March 20, 2010**

Mike Carpenter moved to table the minutes of March 10, March 17 and March 20 until April 21, 2010, seconded by Julia Parmentier. Motion carried 4 – 0.

**D. Correspondence and Review**

None

**E. Board Members' Reports**

John Neale reports that the Land Trust is finalizing the plans for the acquisition of the Grass Property.

**F. Planner's Report**

None

**G. Zoning – Opinion Requested**

None

**H. Commercial Site Reviews**

None

**I. Administrative Subdivisions**

None

**J. Minor Subdivisions**

None

**K. Major Subdivisions/Land Development**

None

**L. New Business**

Mike Carpenter would like the Planning Board to be kept informed of foreclosed properties, especially if an applicant has foreclosed property on the books. This should be added as a future agenda item.

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**M. Old Business**

***Discussion/Action***

1) Recycling / Trash Ordinance – John Lewis submitted a copy of the East Providence Ordinance to the Planning Board.

- Board members offered the following opinions:

- 1) This may not be worth investing the Town's time and resources.
- 2) Make sure the "recycling" of the things like old bureaus cannot fall into this category.
- 3) The fine should be high enough to be punitive.

Julia motioned to authorize Ann-Marie to write a letter to the Town Council reflecting these opinions. Mike Carpenter seconded. Motion carried 4 – 0.

2) Stonewall Ordinance - Julia Parmentier recommended using only paragraph 2 (purpose) and omit the rest of the proposed ordinance. The Planning Board members agreed to wording of paragraph 2 and the definition. Ann-Marie will look at the State Statute to see what's already in place for the General Provisions. Under General Provision, Board members agreed on wording and what should be included.

3) Review, Revise Planning Board By-Laws, Applications, etc. – Members reviewed the By-Laws and made some changes. Helen motioned to approve the changes to the Planning Board By-Laws, seconded by Mike Carpenter. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Ann-Marie will send out By-Law changes for approval.

4) Subdivision Regulations – It was suggested that the fee for Commercial Site Reviews be increased. After a discussion it was decided that it should be raised to \$100. Julia Parmentier motioned to increase the fee to \$100, seconded by Helen Hardy. Motion carried 4 – 0.

**N. Future Agenda Items**

**April 10** - Rte 6 Rezoning meeting

**April 21** – application meeting – Zoning Opinion

- Minor Subdivision applications

**May 5** – Sign Ordinance, Hydronic Heaters, foreclosed properties, etc.

**O. Adjournment**

Mike motioned to adjourn at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Helen Hardy, Planning Board Secretary