



PLANNING BOARD MINUTES
TOWN OF FOSTER
Benjamin Eddy Building, 6 South Killingly Road, Foster, RI
Wednesday: February 06, 2013
7:00 p.m.

A. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Tom Mercier at 7:02 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present from the Planning Board were Tom Mercier, Chair; Julia Parmentier, Vice Chair; Helen Hardy, Secretary; members Sisan Smallman and Mike Carpenter. Member Susan Mara was excused. Also present was Ann-Marie Ignasher, Town Planner.

C. Approval of Minutes

Planning Meeting – January 02, 2013

Mike Carpenter moved to approve the minutes of January 02, 2013; seconded by Julia Parmentier, motion carried unanimously 5 – 0.

Planning Meeting – January 16, 2013

Mike Carpenter moved to approve the minutes of January 16, 2013; seconded by Julia Parmentier, motion carried unanimously 5 – 0.

D. Correspondence and Review

E. Board Members' Reports

Sisan reported that Linda Tibbets from the Land Trust has requested to see the Land Use and the Open Space / Recreation elements of the Comprehensive Plan. Mike asked if the Land Trust was aware that the Land Trust property has been vandalized and Sisan said they were.

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

None

L. Old Business

Discussion / Action

Appointment of a liaison to Land Trust

Tom Mercier appointed Sisan Smallman as the liaison to the Land Trust.

Comp Plan Narratives to be reviewed –

- Community Services and Facilities
- Affordable Housing
- Land Use
- Circulation / Transportation
- Natural Resources
- Natural Hazards
- Economic Development
- Open Space / Recreation
- Historical and Cultural Resources

Helen suggested that the March workshop be exclusively spent on the Comprehensive Plan. Tom asked that everyone review the Community Services and Facilities and Affordable Housing sections at home. It was discussed that any notes/suggestions to be emailed to Ann-Marie prior to the March meeting.

Discussion on the scheduling for completing the Comprehensive Plan continued and a date of June was set as a goal.

Final matrices– voted on and approved –

- Land Use
- Circulation / Transportation
- Affordable Housing Matrix
- Natural Resources
- Natural Hazards
- Community Services and Facilities

The public is welcome to any meeting of the Planning Board. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captions) is needed or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation, please contact the Town Clerk's Office 392-9200 at least two (2) business days prior to the meeting.

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- Economic Development
- Open Space / Recreation
- Historical and Cultural Resources

M. New Business

Discussion / Action

Mike Carpenter will draft a letter to the Town Council regarding the 3.2% dedicated to the Capital Budget.

N. Future Agenda Items

Future – Update/revise to comply with Comp Plan

- Subdivision Regulations
- Zoning Ordinance
- Conservation Development
- 5 year road plan

- Meet with other boards
- Letter to Town Council regarding the RI Senate Legislative Bill

March – CDBG applications

O. Adjournment

Julia Parmentier moved to adjourn at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Hardy, Secretary