



**PLANNING BOARD MINUTES  
TOWN OF FOSTER  
Benjamin Eddy Building  
6 South Killingly Road, Foster, RI  
Wednesday: August 21, 2013  
7:00 p.m.**

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**A. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Tom Mercier, Chair at 7:05 p.m.

**B. Roll Call**

Present from the board were Tom Mercier, Chair; Helen Hardy, Secretary; members Mike Carpenter, and Joe Carey. Members Julia Parmentier, Zach Farnum and Susan Mara were excused. Also present were Ann-Marie Ignasher and Todd Sholly.

**C. Approval of Minutes**

Workshop – July 24, 2013

Planning Meeting – August 07, 2013

Mike Carpenter moved to approve the minutes of the Workshop on July 24, 2013; seconded by Joe Carey. Motion carried unanimously 4 – 0.

Mike Carpenter moved to approve the minutes of August 07, 2013 with corrections; seconded by Joe Carey. Motion carried unanimously 4 – 0.

**D. Correspondence and Review**

RI “Map” Centers Workshops – there was some discussion regarding who is able to attend.

**E. Board Members’ Reports**

**F. Planner’s Report**

Simmon’s Crossing-

Ann-Marie will help the library in developing their plans in an advisory capacity.

Ann-Marie reported on options and consultations that the applicants are exploring.

**G. Zoning – Opinion Requested**

None

**H. Commercial Site Reviews**

None

**I. Administrative Subdivisions**

None

**J. Minor Subdivisions**

None

**K. Major Subdivisions**

None

**L. New Business**

**M. Continued Business**

*Discussion / Action*

**Review - Remaining Steps of Comprehensive Plan  
- Analysis for writing narratives**

Implementation tables for Natural Hazards, Natural Resources, and Land Use action sections were completed.  
Open Space / Recreation still needs to be done.

**Comp Plan Narratives to be reviewed –**

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

**Final narratives-approved –**

- Housing Element
- Land Use
- Natural Resources

**Final matrices– voted on and approved –**

- Land Use
- Circulation / Transportation

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- Affordable Housing Matrix
- Natural Resources
- Natural Hazards
- Community Services and Facilities
- Economic Development
- Open Space / Recreation
- Historical and Cultural Resources

**N. Future Agenda Items**

**Future** – Update/revise to comply with Comp Plan

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

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

Tom asked to add 5 year road plan, gun shops in A/R zone and communicating on the website to the next agenda under New Business.

**O. Adjournment**

Mike Carpenter moved to adjourn at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Hardy, Secretary