



PLANNING BOARD MINUTES
TOWN OF FOSTER
Benjamin Eddy Building
6 South Killingly Road, Foster, RI
Wednesday: December 18, 2013
7:00 p.m.

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- A. Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.
- B. Roll Call:** Present: Joe Carey, Mike Carpenter, Tom Mercier, Helen Hardy, John Bevilacqua, Julia Parmentier, Ann Marie Ignasher, Town Planner.
- C. Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of 12/04/2013 meeting: John Bevilacqua moved to table minutes, Mike Carpenter seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Correspondence and Review:**
Letter from Statewide Planner; John Bevilacqua moved to be governed by the current regulations and not have to wait for the 2014 amendments. Julia Parmentier seconded; Motion Carries Unanimously.
- E. Board Members' Reports:**
Affordable Housing, received statutes for Affordable Housing opportunity chapter 11, Low and Moderate Housing, Chapter 53, Chapter 128, expedited permitting for affordable housing, correspondence to be reviewed, to relate to Foster. Housing Board Chair is resigning at end of January 2014, due to relocation.

Request to adjourn meeting by 8:25 pm, John Bevilacqua so moved, Joe Carey, seconded. Motion Carries Unanimously.
- 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. New Business:**
Election of Officers and Liaisons:
Motion to nominate John Bevilacqua for Chair of Planning Board, Joe Carey, Vice Chair, Helen Hardy, Secretary. John Bevilacqua moved that the secretary cast one vote for the nominees for chair, vice chair, and secretary. Helen Hardy seconded, to move the slate. Motion Carries Unanimously.

Joe Carey will serve as liaison for the Affordable Housing, Mike Carpenter will serve as Liaison to the Land Trust. Helen Hardy moved to commend Tom Mercier for his able service in the many capacities as Planning Board Chair. Julia Parmentier, seconded. Motion Carries Unanimously.
- M. Continued Business:**
None

N. Comprehensive Plan – Ongoing Work:

1. There needs to be uniformity in style, typeface, sections, & structure.
2. Helen's review of introduction of economic development is not done & will be postponed.
3. Land use element, Tom Mercier moved to postpone to January 15, 2014, Joe Carey, seconded. Motion Carries Unanimously.
4. Housing Element, the two prior elements, the comprehensive plan approved in 2003, and the Affordable Housing Plan, approved 2006, are included in one section. These have to be "Incorporated by Reference" but not merged in the comp plan. Tom Mercier moved, Joe Carey seconded this motion. Motion Carries Unanimously.

O. Future Agenda Items:

January 15, 2014-Capital Budget, determine need for an additional January meeting, and set date of letter to Statewide Planning regarding using current regulations.

P. Adjournment: Tom Mercier moved to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. – motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Hardy, Secretary