

Meeting Minutes
June 27, 2013 Public Input Meeting

PLANNING BOARD
RINDGE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
June 27, 2013

DATE: June 27, 2013 **TYPE: Public Meeting** **APPROVED: July 16, 2013**

TIME: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

PLACE: West Rindge United Methodist Church, Mountain Road.

PLANNING SECRETARY: Susan Hoyland

PRESENTED BY: Roger Hawk of Hawk Associates

OTHERS PRESENT: Ron Hansen, Nancy LaBonne, Roberta Oeser, Holly Koski, Jacqueline Powell, Sharon Rasku, Pat Martin, Henry Bock, Marie Powly Quinlan, Sally Poikinen, Bob Knight, Bruce Donati, Charlie Eicher, Philip Simeone, Kirk Stenersen, Burt Goodrich, Rick Sirvint, Ty Taylor, Elise Taylor, Kathy and Steve Gray, Tina Hansen, Chris Hansen, Pamela Shuel Sargent, Anne Evans, Edward Lamoureux, Michael Hoenig, Michelle Hoenig, Senator Peggy Gilmore, District 12, Elisa Bonincaso, David Lister, Larry Cleveland, Elise Lister, James Birge, Lisa Birge, Carrie Patria, Adam Patria, Dennis Casey, Tom Peragallo, Donna Peragallo, Joe LiPetri, Bruce MacDougall, Margaret Hawthorn, Julie Flood Page, Dwight Schenk, Janet Goodrich, Dana Winchester, Sue Cody, Frank Morrill, Carlotta Lilback Pini, Rick Sirvint, Kirk Stenersen, Dean Dehotman, Kim McCummings, Ben Frost of New Hampshire Housing, and others.

Roger Hawk of Hawk Associates facilitated tonight's meeting,

Roger Hawk said that the Town of Rindge recently received a grant to develop a number of zoning amendments and guidelines to strengthen the existing character of West Rindge village and create a stronger sense of community character around the Route 119/202 intersection. This project is a continuation of the work undertaken by the Town over the past several years through its master plan, economic development plan and a Plan NH design charrette completed in 2012. He said that the purpose of this meeting is to provide a summary of the community discussions completed to date and to seek community input on the architectural character and kinds of uses you would like to see in the village area.

The power point presentation (attached herein) was followed by a lively discussion as neighbors shared their views on the future of the Route 119 and 202 intersections and the West Rindge Village.

Topics discussed included:

- Creating a center of activity for the Town of Rindge
- Master Plan, REDI, Plan NH Charette, past surveys of residents
- Design Standards and New England Architectural Style
- Zoning Amendments to dimensional requirements to promote smaller, compact mixed uses similar in lot size to what is currently in the West Rindge Village today.
- Zoning revisions in the Village and College districts to allow some multi-family and senior/assisted living between West Rindge and FPU
- Soils based lot sizing
- Rethinking the scale and appearance of the roadway improvements

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- Encouraging the development of a new mixed use center that serves the needs of the community
- Re-define the function and appearance of Fogg's Corner
- Make Big Boxes to a smaller scale
- Reduce the size of the Gateway Central Zoning District
- Psychologically reducing the distance between FPU and the West Rindge Village by creating moderate density housing along part of the Mountain Road

Audience members were passionate about this presentation with some strongly in favor and some strongly opposed.

A fall meeting will take place, date and time to be announced.

This meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Hoyland
Planning Secretary