

**PLANNING BOARD
RINDGE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
October 4, 2011**

DATE: October 4, 2011 TYPE: Planning Board Meeting APPROVED: 10/18/11
TIME: 7:00 pm –9:00pm CHAIR: Kirk Stenersen
CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 pm
ROLL CALL MEMBERS: Kirk Stenersen, Kim McCummings, Hank Whitney, Dave Tower (arrived 7:50 pm), Tim Halliday,
ROLL CALL ALTERNATES: Burt Goodrich, Phil Simeone
EX OFFICIO: None
ACTING PLANNING DIRECTOR: Robyn Payson
APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES: Burt Goodrich for Dave Tower Phil Simeone for Mike Quinlan

Announcements

Robyn made the following announcements:

- Walmart is expected to appear at the November 1, Public Hearing
- Duboise and King will be coming in for the first “scoping” meeting on October 18th at 2:00pm
- The CIP committee is looking for a Planning Board representative. Kim McCummings said she would be willing to continue.

Robyn distributed calendars with dates relevant to Town Meeting Warrant articles.

Kim announced there are only two Thursdays left for Farmer’s Market this season. The possibility of an indoor market is being explored.

OLD BUSINESS

Minutes

Following discussion, Tim Halliday made a motion to accept the minutes with corrections which include Kirk’s verbiage. Hank Whitney seconded the motion. The motion carried with Kirk Stenersen, Phil Simeone and Burt Goodrich abstaining.

September 20, 2011

NEW BUSINESS

Rindge Economic Development Report
Roger Hawk

Roger Hawk and Stu Arnett presented a Power Point Presentation reviewing the Rindge Economic Development Report for the Planning Board.

Following discussion

Kim made a motion for the Planning Board to accept the draft report of the Rindge Economic Development Report for the Economic Development Chapter of the Master Plan, and move it forward for public hearing on November 15, 2011. Phil Simeone seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

WORK MEETING

Subcommittee Updates

Sign Subcommittee

The Sign Subcommittee is moving forward with its amendments that include allowing off premises directional signs. The subcommittee planning on scheduling a meeting with Rick Donovan to discuss internally illuminated signs.

Zoning

Proposed for Town Meeting 2011

Removing the restriction on Bed and Breakfasts allowed only in buildings built before 1990.
Allowing back lots.-The Planning Board needs to consider whether to move forward with this.

Kirk also discussed the Impact Fee Schedule and there was discussion about forming a subcommittee to examine making changes.

Repeater-US Cellular

Chief Sielicki

Robyn described her discussions with Police Chief Mike Sielicki regarding collocating the repeater on the new Tower on Jones Farm. US Cellular wants the town to pay monthly fees as well as installation costs and insurance. During the public hearing process for the Jones Farm tower it was implied that these services would be free but there was nothing included in the decision.

Robyn is conducting research on other towns that are collocating on US Cellular towers at no cost and trying to find out how that happened. Once she finds out she will report to the board and they may decide to send a letter to US Cellular suggesting it would be good community relations to waive the fees.

Robyn will complete her research on how the other towns are collocated at no cost and the board will then consider if drafting a letter would be appropriate.

Budget

Robyn presented her first draft of the budget, which was to level fund the department.

Any other business that comes before the board

Kim reported that she attended the last Board of Selectman's meeting and during Citizen's forum, she made a statement responding to a newspaper article that stated the selectmen had "decided not to fill the planning director position at this time". She stated that it was not the Board of Selectmen to make decisions about staffing for the Planning Board. The second statement was concerning a request to discontinue use of the second workstation in the Planning Office. (filed with the minutes)

Kirk discussed is proposed amendments to the minutes to the board as well as the e-mails exchanged between Pat Barry, Kirk Stenersen, Kim McCummings, and Dave Tower regarding the minutes and who is copied on the minutes.(filed with the minutes).

Meeting adjourned 9:00pm

NEXT MEETING

October 18, 2011

Respectfully submitted,
Robyn Payson