Minutes of August 24, 2010
Warren Selectboard
Warren Municipal Building
7:00 PM

Members Present: Bob Ackland, Andy Cunningham, Chair, Matt Groom vice Chair, Anson Montgomery, and Kirstin Reilly.

Others Present: Alex Maclay & Ethan (TV 44/45), Michael Ketchel, Autumn Foushee, Lizzie Hewitt (VR), Craig Klofach, Barry Simpson, Cindi Jones.

7:05 PM – Meeting called to order by Mr. Cunningham.

7:06 PM – Public Hearing Regarding Flood Hazard Regulations – Craig Klofach – Mr. Klofach, a member of the Planning Commission, explained that the Planning Commission has already had their public hearing regarding the new flood hazard regulations and that the Warren Selectboard is required to have its hearing from the public regarding these regulations. This change is only an administrative amendment to bring the town in compliance with the new FEMA and the National Flood Insurance regulations state wide. This amendment incorporates the change into the Town Plan to be incompliance so that if there are any homeowners in a designated flood plain, it allows them to be able to purchase flood insurance.

Mr. Cunningham inquired if it had anything to do with fluvial erosion? Mr. Klofach commented no, that fluvial erosion is another matter and that the Planning Commission would not take up any action on this until after the Town Plan was updated and that they expected public comment as fluvial erosion can have a lot of restrictions.

Mr. Ackland inquired if there was someone already in the designated flood plain map area, would these changes affect them now? Mr. Klofach commented no it would have no impact. An example was the Kingsbury's Farm and the green houses that are being built in the flood plain. Mr. Klofach commented that agriculture is exempt from the flood plain regulations.

Motion by Mr. Groom to approve the administrative changes regarding the new FEMA and National Flood Insurance Program regulations, second by Mr. Ackland. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

7:15 PM – PC Check In – Michael Ketchel – Mr. Ketchel addressed the board that the Planning Commission is currently working on updating the Town Plan. The Planning Commission has re-adopted the old Town Plan so that the Town could meet state requirements to apply for any state grants. The Planning Commission was in consciences that they would wait until the census data is complete so that the Town Plan would have up to date precise census data. They are currently taking each chapter one by one and have had the Conservation Commission in for comments as well.