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**TOWN OF WARREN  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
MONDAY JANUARY 22, 2007**

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**Members Present:** Jim Sanford, John Donaldson, Lisa Miserendino, John Goss, Nick Morehouse and Mike Ketchel.

**Others Present:** Deborah Wetmore, Fran Plewak, Jen Moffroid, Erin Post, Alex Maclay, Miron Malboeuf and Ruth Robbins.

**Agenda:** Call meeting to order, 7:30pm.

- 1) Library Relocation Project (To Town Hall): Library Commission Members to meet with PC to discuss proposal for move.
- 2) Charrette documentation - Charrette Follow-on Roadmap – review Teams 4 & 5 recommendations.
- 3) Zoning Revisions – Commission members to categorize revisions into administrative changes & high priority revisions.
- 4) Planning Commission Budget – 2007:  
Software: Orton Family Foundation - CommunityViz®
- 5) Town Garage - Review recent submittals by Sellers & Company
- 6) Review & sign minutes from 1/8/07
  - 1) Other business:

Mr. Donaldson called the meeting to order at 7:35pm.

At the last Select Board meeting, Planning Commission members had expressed some concern that the Library project should be more closely connected to the PC project to recommend a Master Plan for the Town facilities. As such, representatives from the Friends of the Library came to the Planning Commission meeting to have an open discussion of how their plans came about and what their short and long term intentions were.

Ms. Wetmore explained that the Select Board had asked them to investigate the possibility of moving into the Town Hall. It was her understanding that the select Board was attempting to address not only additional space needs for the Library but to also provide additional space for the Town Clerk, i.e. vault space. After working with an architect, they had finally come up with a solution to the access issues at the Town Hall and the Select Board was planning on presenting two articles for town vote on Town Meeting Day; one to request approval to relocate the Library and secondly to appropriate monies to make improvements to the building.

Ms. Wetmore and the other Library representatives stressed the Library very much wanted to maintain the Town Hall as a community building and allow for the library space to be flexible in how it was used. They also viewed the move to the Town Hall as “temporary” and will seek to have the Select Board Article language changed to reflect that. There was general agreement in the meeting, however, that the length of any “temporary” move was very uncertain, as there are many unknowns at this point, including where the best long termed home for the Library is and when it might be possible to build a new Library. Mr. Sanford mentioned that it appears that the costs involved in adapting the vacated Library space to another use were overlooked.

Both the Commission and the Friends of the Library agreed that the exchange of ideas and concerns was positive. Ms. Wetmore also encouraged the Commission members to attend the open house they had planned for February 8<sup>th</sup> that would present the plans for the proposed move to the Town Hall.

The Commission members then spent some time reviewing the proposed budget for 2007 that the Select Board would be reviewing the following night. They made some minor changes and asked the staff for some clarification on items that had been expended in 2006 that they were not sure of.

A draft of the Planning Commission report for the Town Report was reviewed and approved.

The rest of the meeting was spent on further analysis of the Charrette information. After clarifying and confirming each Team's approach, the members then looked at each facility to see where there might be some consensus and where there was variation in approaches. The Commission will next use a list of criteria to score against each approach.

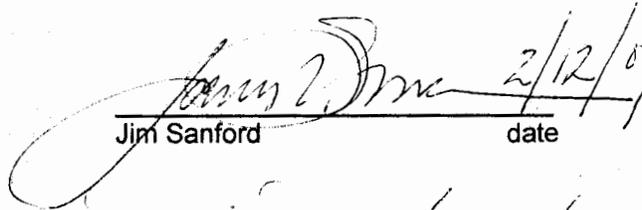
The minutes of January 8<sup>th</sup> were reviewed and signed. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday February 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 pm.

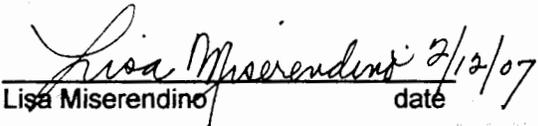
Respectfully submitted,

Ruth V. Robbins  
DRB/PC Assistant

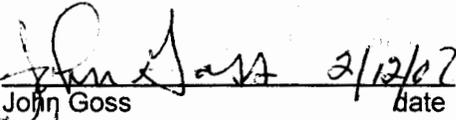
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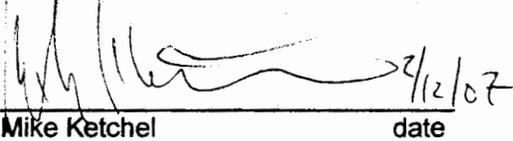
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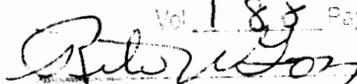
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