

TOWN OF WARREN
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
MONDAY FEBRUARY 11, 2008

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Members Present: Jim Sanford, John Donaldson, Mike Ketchel, Craig Klofach, Lisa Miserendino, John Goss and Don LaHaye.

Others Present: Clare Rock, Don Einhorn, Robin Bennett, Margo Wade, Miron Malboeuf and Ruth Robbins.

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

1. Warren Brownfields Study: Clare Bootle Rock, Assistant Planner, CVRPC & Don Einhorn, VT DEC. Warren PC
2. Review Maps for possible district expansion: "draft" of where the expanded district lines might be located for them to review at the next meeting.
3. Review proposed additional Design Standard for PRD's
4. Other Business:
 - a. review and sign minutes from January 28, 2008 meeting

The Planning Commission members began their meeting by listening to a presentation from Clare Rock from the Central Vermont Regional Planning District as she outlined the Brownfields Assessment Process. Currently, two sites in Warren have undergone the Phase I assessment: the Town Garage location which the Planning commission would like to consider for potential affordable housing, and the old town dump site on Dump Road which the Conservation Commission is considering for future recreation possibilities.

Ms. Rock along with Mr. Einhorn of the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation explained how it was important to have the conceptual plan for the future use of the sites prior to the Phase II Assessment. Knowing what the ultimate goal is will allow them to make the appropriate recommendations for remediation should it be called for. Though CVRPC has funds that can cover the cost of the assessments, should remediation be recommended, the town will be responsible for the cost of clean up. Mr. Einhorn did note that sometimes funds can be obtained by applying directly to the EPA, though in cases such as ours, where the town was responsible for the contamination, the town is usually required to fund the clean up.

The Commission then briefly discussed the forum held by the Conservation Commission regarding the proposed management plans for the Eaton, Austin and Riverside Park parcels. There were differing opinions about whether or not part of the Eaton parcel could also be used for affordable housing, and whether or not the restrictions on the Austin parcel could ever be modified.

Mr. Malboeuf had drawn proposed new boundaries for the Warren Village Residential District and the Warren Village Commercial District as per the discussion

