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TOWN OF WARREN
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
MONDAY NOVEMBER 14, 2011

Members Present: Craig Klofach, Dan Raddock, Lisa Miserendino, Don LaHaye, Randy Graves and Jim Sanford.

Others Present: Mary Gow, Miron Malboeuf and Ruth Robbins.

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

- 1) Fluvial Erosion Hazard District, Review proposed draft regulations.
- 2) Town Garage Update
- 3) FY 2012 PC Budget
- 4) Review & sign minutes from October 24th, 2011
- 5) Other business:
 - a) Hazard Mitigation Plan Update - Draft, October 2011

Mr. Klofach called the meeting to order at 7:40 pm.

Before addressing the agenda items, Mr. Sanford asked about the status of the Safe Routes to School program, more specifically concerning the potential installation of sidewalks. Mr. Klofach reported on the Select Board public hearing that he attended on the subject. He said that several issues were raised which make the installation of sidewalks problematic one of which is conforming to the ADA requirements. Additionally several of the village residents expressed displeasure at the encroachment to their properties [areas that are in the Town right-of-way] and that sidewalks would change the character of the village and were too suburban. Another concern was that sidewalks would give the appearance of openness which could increase the speed of vehicles. Part of the SRTS program is to address speed concerns and speed signs showing a motorist how fast they are going are being considered.

The PC skipped to item #2 of the agenda which was about the discussion that took place at the previous week's Select Board meeting regarding the Town Garage. Mr. Klofach briefly summarized the discussion saying that the SB was actively looking into a new location for the Town Garage as the current facility was in serious need of several repairs. He continued to say that the ball was in the Select Board's "court" and that the SB had indicated they wanted to have a conversation with Ms. Gow regarding the Town gravel pit site at some time in the near future. Ms. Gow told the PC that when the Town acquired the property she believed that the motivation was solely for the resource provided by the gravel pit. She continued to say that the deed restriction was to keep the property from being used for any purpose that would create increased traffic and any high impact uses.

The Planning Commission then discussed the establishment of Fluvial Erosion Hazard regulations debating the pros and cons of stream management, to fill or not to fill, and what would be the best approach to the regulations to present to those who would be affected. Instead of trying to anticipate homeowners reactions, it was suggested that the PC put forth what they felt was the best recommendation for the town as a whole and go from there.

Mr. Malboeuf gave the members a copy of the current budget for them to use in determining what changes they might want to make for the upcoming new budget year. He noted that the PC should look at having the town's contract GIS firm create overlays of the zoning districts with the

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new changes, assuming they are approved] for inclusion on the town's maps and budget accordingly.

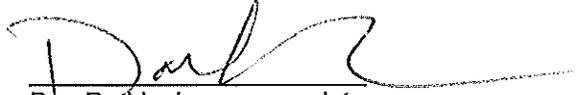
The Members approved and signed the minutes from the previous meeting. In other business the members were given "homework" of reviewing the updated Town Hazard Mitigation Plan dated October 2011 [on the town's website] and be prepared to approve or make suggestions at the next meeting. It was noted that the Select Board was going to be hearing about plans for Arrowwood to research wildlife corridors/crossings to add to the wildlife mapping they have already done. Mr. LaHaye talked about the ongoing discussion at CVRPC about merging/consolidating functions with the CVEDC. He shared with the PC a memo that was written by a CVEDC person that highlighted the benefits of such a merger. Mr. LaHaye said that the PC would be asked at some point to make a recommendation to the Select Board as to whether or not the merger should go forward.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 pm. The next meeting of the Warren Planning Commission is scheduled for Monday November 28th at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth V. Robbins
DRB/PC Assistant

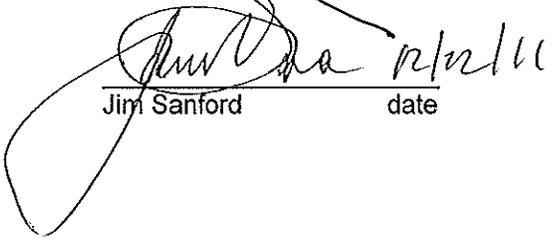
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