

WATERBURY PLANNING COMMISSION
APPROVED MINUTES
Monday, March 24, 2014

Members present: Becca Washburn, Chair; Mary Koen; Judi Kamien; Jason Wulff
Staff present: Steve Lotspeich; Patti Spence
Public: Kathi Grace; Josh O’Gorman, Times Argus Reporter

The meeting was opened at 7:00 pm.

FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The minutes of 3/10/14 were discussed as a review.

Steve distributed the draft matrix of "Options for components of flood hazard regulations." The goal is to develop approximately five scenarios for regulations to forward to Roy Schiff with the consultant firm, Milone and MacBroom, to be used in the economic modeling in their Lake Champlain Basin EPA funded study. A map, developed by Milone and MacBroom was handed out.

In working with the attorney the date of the interim regulations was premature. The date of warning was used instead of the date the interim regulations became effective. The Selectboard will need to make the final decision on applying for the extension on the interim regulations.

The Commissioner's discussed their perspective on regulations:

1. balance
2. maintain a vibrant downtown
3. areas outside of the Village that need to have regulations
4. restrictive but with support offered (such as assisting with grants)
5. new development restrictions
6. use of these new regulations to redefine the community

The need for public participation in informational meetings was discussed.

Steve is going to meet with Roy Schiff to discuss what scenarios will be applied with the mapping. One scenario, for instance, would be the economic impact of a "no net rise" scenario.

Reworking the draft matrix was discussed by Steve.

At the April 28th meeting Steve will have a new matrix.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Zoning Administrator position: The Planning Commission will interview the final candidates at the April 14 meeting.

2. Floodplain management group met today and will meet regularly. The group is forming as a working group and will have an on-going role in having them work on a planning project which would be an update of the hazard mitigation plan. Attending: Rebecca Pfeiffer, Karen Bates, Dan Currier, Barb Farr, Steve Lotspeich.

MEETING MINUTES

Mary Koen moved and Jason Wulff seconded the motion to approve the minutes of February 10, February 24 and March 10, 2014, as amended.

VOTE: Passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING:

April 14, 2014 at 7:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Patti Spence
Secretary

*These minutes were approved on June 9, 2014 *