# Planning Board Mar. 9, 2017 7:30 pm

<u>Members Present</u>: Barry Hantman, Chip Current, David Cogswell, Jim Castine, Roger Whitehouse, Janet Denison

Excused Members: Chris Giordano, Chris Smith,

### Minutes:

David made and Jim seconded a motion to approve the February 23, 2017 minutes as written. Chip abstained. The motion passed.

Barry reminded everyone that the elections are coming up on March 14th. Chip and Roger are on the ballot to continue with the Planning Board. Serving as an alternate gives someone a great opportunity to see how the Board works.

#### <u>Correspondence</u>:

- From FEMA: a discovery meeting is being held for the Merrimac Watershed
- From the NHOEP, a reminder of the upcoming spring conference
- From Dennis Quintal regarding Eastern Materials gravel pit. This will be forwarded to Charlie Zilch, the engineer working for Eastern.
- From the ZBA: notice of decision for the Meeting House Subdivision. The Planning Board decision was reversed.

#### Other Business

The Board had voted to make updates to the Master Plan. It will yet be determined if other updates will be made.

Barry said that it distresses him greatly that the ZBA overturned a decision by this Board. As chairman, he said he takes full responsibility and will ask the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board if they wish for him to step down as chairman. The PB agreed that the decision was made a group and was based on the information provided to this board at the time. This Board will hold its own vote for chair and vice-chair after the town elections.

Roger said that he has spoken to a friend of his who is involved in a larger town. He asked if applications should be reviewed more fully before they are discussed at the public hearing, at least to see what the acreage is. Barry said he is not sure the RSAs allow this. The applicant is supposed to supply all of the material to the office well before the public hearing date. During that time it is a public document and anyone from the Board may review the material. That material is not supposed to be discussed as a board before the public hearing and only during a public hearing. Barry said that the developers are often encouraged to use preliminary discussions and stage 1 and stage 2 to go over any questions or concerns that may exist for a project.

Chip said that he will review the excavation regulations and submit something for the Board to review.

The full text of the warrant articles will be provided at the Community Center for anyone who wants to review the full text. This is because only a summary is on the actual ballots.

At 8:00pm Roger made and David seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

## Agenda:

March 23, 2017

7:30pm Minutes and correspondence

7:40pm Eastern Materials excavation permit renewal

8:00pm Subdivision review with Richard and Candace Moussa, 150 Emerald Drive, tax map and

lot 2-40-3, to convert a duplex into a condo

8:30pm 74 Colby Road discussion with Josh Rabenius