Planning Board April 23, 2015

<u>Members Present</u>: Barry Hantman-Chairman, Josh Horns, Roger Whithouse (arrived at 8:00pm), Chris Giordano-Selectmen's Representative, Janet Denison-clerk

Excused Members: Chip Current, Haeyoon Jacobus, Chris Smith

Others Present: Charlie Zilch, Carsten Springer

The beginning of the meeting began with no quorum. Barry explained any discussion will be limited. Agenda topics will be postponed to later. The Cheney Forest subdivision will be discussed on May 28th and the excavation permit will be discussed on May 14th.

Caleb II Subdivision

Charlie Zilch asked about the subdivision previously approved by this Board. The conditional approval expired July 12, 2014. The state approvals are still valid and the property owner would like to renew this project. Mr. Zilch was informed this will need to be re-noticed to abutters and the application process will begin anew. The Town employs the services of a new engineer who will need to review the plans. A few Board members were involved in the review process previously.

Correspondence

There was a short discussion about Senate Bill 146 regarding allowing a second dwelling unit to exist on lots that already have a dwelling unit. A letter from Peter Loughlin to the state was also forwarded to the Town. Mr. Loughlin cautions the state regarding the ramifications if this bill passes. It was agreed by the Board members that this would not be a good thing for Danville, nor for the rest of New Hampshire. It is supposed the impetus behind the bill is the promotion of workforce housing.

Minutes

With the arrival of Roger, the Quorum was able to discuss minutes. Roger made and Chris seconded a motion to approve the April 9th minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

RPC Dues

There was a short discussion about whether or not to pay the RPC dues for this year. Dennis Quintal said other towns employ a circuit rider to attend their Planning Board meetings. Carsten, who has been the town representative to RPC for several years, said it seemed that a lot of work performed by RPC deals with the seacoast communities. They also do a lot of "cookie cutter" work from one community to another. He also said they lobby the legislature every year for different items, then are able to go to the towns and offer assistance to implement that legislation. At a recent meeting with other commissioners, they were asked to vote on a 4% increase in the budget without seeing the budget spreadsheet. It turns out they had already gained a 15% increase in revenue from awarded grants. Josh asked if the budget had already accounted for a 19% increase. Carsten did not know.

It was said the money can be used to pay a third party directly if the Board needs help with a particular project. The information may be more accurate also. There may be a revolving fund into which the funds can be deposited.

Carsten explained there was a recent meeting in which the RPC was favorably expressing their opinion about having implemented bike paths in a certain community. These bike paths are not stand-alone paths but essentially a widening of existing roads. Carsten had to ask several times about the source of funding for this project. The root source of the funds was the state gas tax. It is unclear who owns the maintenance of the sidewalks.

Chris made and Josh seconded a motion to inform the Selectmen that the Planning Board does not recommend paying the 2015 RPC dues. The motion passed unanimously.

At 8:20pm Chris made and Roger seconded a **motion to adjourn**. The motion **passed** unanimously.

Respectfully submitted Janet S. Denison

May 14, 2015 Agenda:

7:30 pm Correspondence and Minutes

7:40pm Public hearing for updating Subdivision & Site Plan Regulations

8:00pm Excavation Permit for Hoyt Realty, site located off of Clydesdale Drive, known as

Map and Lot 4-28

May 28, 2015 Agenda:

7:30 pm Correspondence and Minutes

8:15pm Stage 2 Subdivision Application for LER Realty, property located off Long Pond

Road, known as Tax Map and Lot 4-46