

Royalton Planning Commission: June 9, 2014

Called to Order by Chair Dreisbach at 7:03pm

Present: David Brandau
Tim Dreisbach
Alison Gravel
Roni Johnson
Joshua “Bushrod” Powers

Jim Rikert
Bob Slattery
Beth Willhite
Marc Wood

Guests: Gidget Lyman, Walter Hastings

Minutes from previous meeting: May 19, 2014

Motion to Approve: Bushrod, Seconded: Marc Wood, Passed unanimously

Absentions: Tim & Alison

Disaster Plan Update: Gidget Lyman

- Short discussion of the Upper Valley Adaptation Workgroup’s packet “Is Your Town Ready for a Flood?”
 - Studies show that a 100yr flood is now a 7 ½ yr flood
- Updating the L.E.O.P. (Local Emergency Operation Plan) which is renewed every year for FEMA funding
- Also updating Emergency Operations Plan for town

Floodplain Plans & Properties: Walter Hastings

- RPC may need to look at adding “Improving Stormwater Management & Runoff” to town plan
- Discussion of FEMA floodplain map (to be sent out via email)
- S. Windsor & Moses Lane properties as well as The Meadows are within the 500 year floodplain and can not be regulated without a change to the town plan.
- A L.O.M.A. (Letter or Map Amendment) is the only way to have property taken out of or added to the floodplain
 - Possibility of a reverse LOMA discussed for floodplain purposes
 - Marc—gravel mining inquiry to be discussed at another time
- Discussion of River Management Plan that Vermont is kickstarting
- Four Irene Buy-out properties discussed
 - Short discussion of what to do with the properties ensued
 - Bushrod & rest of Commission decided to continue focus on Town Plan at present time

Selectboard Meeting Discussion on Town Offices:

- Discussion ensued on Town Office Relocation
- Motion to Designate Bob Slattery as the Planning Commission representative at the Selectboard Meeting on June 10, 2014
 - Motion by David, Seconded by Marc, unanimously approved
 - Alison and Jim to attend meeting as well.

Other Updates:

- Meeting on June 23, 2014 confirmed (Chris Sargent—update on Survey by email)

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- Town Survey is currently in the mail

Next Meeting: Monday, June 23, 2014 at 7:00pm

Motion to Adjourn- Bushrod, Seconded- Marc, Adjourned at 8:32pm

Submitted: Ashton Whaley, Recording Secretary