

Royalton Planning Commission

February 07, 2017

Members present:

Beth Wilhite
Nell Gwin
Tim Dreisbach
Stuart Levasseur
Jim Rikert

Members absent:

Mark Wood
Roni Johnson
David Brandau
Bushrod Powers

Meeting called to order 6:11 pm by Beth Wilhite, Chair.

Minutes from January 17, 2017 approved, Motion to accept by Tim Dreisbach, Jim Rikert seconded, Motion passed with no changes.

Beth did not send the Selectboard the changes the RPC approved during the last meeting, apology.

Beth advised the RPC she sent in the town report item as requested by the Selectboard, Beth read the item to RPC. Will be printed in the town report.

Agenda item: Scheduling for the rest of the year.

Next meeting March 7th same day as town meeting.

Topics for review:

Student rep from HS, or VLS - Discussion about offering an auditing seat to a high schooler and/or a VLS student for added perspective. The seat would be a non-voting observer.

Focus topics for upcoming RPC meetings, the goal is to have each of these areas the specific focus of RPC meetings for the next year.

1. Maps
 - a. Review boundaries, and designations,
 - b. get maps printed for walls of town office
 - c. March one meeting

2. Historic buildings important services
 - a. Apr one meeting

- b. Crawford Property- map recommendations for the Crawford Property as an amendment to the town plan.
 - c. Community
 - i. Library
 - d. Need input.
 - e. Historic Places
 - f. Invite John Dumville
3. Energy -April or May
 - a. May two meetings
 - i. Energy regulators TRORC
 - ii. Energy developers
 - b. Speakers: TRORC, State, commercial, developers, regulators
 - c. Act64
 4. Multiuse Commercial Development
 - a. June one meeting
 - b. town uses
 - c. Sub-division regulations
 5. Argiculture agritourism Art
 - a. July/Aug
 - b. Public Art
 - c. 1% Option tax
 6. Definitions- Need a section in the Town Plan that defines terms used in the plans
 - a. Sept
 - b. units, duplex, home occupation etc.
 7. Oct
 - a. look at changes recommended over the past 6 months.
 8. Nov Dec
 - a. Determine best way to achieve goal

The RPC reviewed a letter from Senior center asking for letter of support, motion made to sign and return letter of support offering our support. Motion made by Stuart Levasseur, Jim Rikert seconded. Motion passed, 4-1.

Beth advised the RPC of Act250 Board letter to Mr McCollough about 100 acres on Sewall Brook Road regarding an event space. The converted barn is low impact. Not an act250 concern because the change of use without new construction does not require a permit. no action taken by RPC.

Motion to adjourn Tim Dreisbach, Jim Rikert seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM. Respectfully submitted by Stuart Levasseur, recording secretary.