

## Duxbury Planning Commission

### Meeting Minutes March 20, 2014

Members present: Erica Campbell, Trevor Cole, Garrett MacCurtain, Brian T. Fitzgerald

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Brian Fitzgerald

**Minutes:** On motion by Garrett/Trevor, the minutes of the January 23, 2014 meeting were approved as written.

**Town Plan:** The group reviewed one set of written comments submitted shortly before the meeting. No other comments were received. The plan is to get the plan on public notice and hold the mandated public meeting at the May 8 planning commission meeting.

**Other Business:** Brian noted that the planning commission had received a copy of an Act 250 application for the second driveway entrance to the Duxbury Store. Since the entrance already exists, this is really an administrative action to clean up a permitting problem. All agreed no planning commission action is needed.

Brian reported that the commission had received a copy of the AT&T Wireless application to the Public Service Board for the cell tower and antenna near Bolton Falls Dam. The application addresses the concern raised by the commission last fall about possible impact of the facility on the canoe portage. The portage is now shown on the plans. Most of it will be unaffected. A portion of it follows an existing powerline access road that will be improved to provide access to the cell facility. There will be some impact during construction, but the route should be negotiable during that period, and will actually be improved since the road is being upgraded.

Brian reported on information received from Green Mountain Power for a new electrical substation to be constructed on the Noyes property behind the existing state farm buildings. Brian and Kim reviewed the plans last week and forwarded to GMP some suggestions to mitigate impacts on the Crossett Brook buffer and provide visual screening. GMP responded that it is considering ways to address these concerns in the Section 248 application that will be filed with the Public Service Board. Brian and Kim will continue to work with GMP.

Brian was selected to chair the commission for another year. He noted that he had been reappointed to serve another year as Duxbury's representative to the Central Vermont RPC.

Garrett indicated that he will be resigning from the planning commission once we have completed the town plan. He needs to devote his full attention to his newly-elected role as Duxbury's Harwood Union School Director.

The group decided to cancel the April 10 meeting.

**Next Meeting:** May 8, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the town clerk's office.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Minutes by B.T. Fitzgerald