

Duxbury Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2014

Members present: Trevor Cole, Kim Greenwood, Brian T. Fitzgerald

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. by Brian Fitzgerald.

Agenda Changes: Add discussion of community rating system and planning commission 2015 budget

Minutes: On motion by Kim/Trevor, the minutes of the August 14, 2014 meeting were approved as written.

Town Plan: Brian will make the minor corrections noted by the Selectboard at the October 13 meeting and do the final formatting. The board will take action on the plan at its October 27 meeting. With the board's concurrence, Brian will seek approval of the plan from the RPC after it's adopted.

Mad River Valley Active Transportation Plan: Brian provided a letter of support for the Mad River Valley Planning District's application to VTrans for a grant to develop this plan. Duxbury will benefit from this plan by inclusion of the trail network at Harwood UHS in the planning process.

Green Mountain Power Substation: Kim attended the Public Service Board hearing on September 17. GMP addressed our concern about the location of the stormwater basin by moving it out of the stream corridor. The utility has proposed a two-phase approach to determine how best to screen the substation from the road and middle school. That approach includes collaboration with the town. Details of how the distribution lines will be routed are still being developed. Kim and Brian will continue to monitor this project, which is planned for construction in 2015.

Community Rating System: This is a FEMA program that will get town residents a reduced rate for flood insurance if the town meets certain requirements. The RPC and Duxbury zoning administrator are encouraging the planning commission to consider it. Brian will look into it in more detail and put it on the agenda for a future meeting.

Planning Commission 2015 Budget: Brian will develop a budget and submit it to the Selectboard. The budget will include the match necessary for a planning grant for work needed to implement the town plan.

Next Meeting: November 13, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the town garage meeting room.

The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Minutes by B.T. Fitzgerald