

## Duxbury Planning Commission

### Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2015

Members present: Erica Campbell, Alan Quackenbush, Doug Weber, Brian T. Fitzgerald

Others present: n/a

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

**Agenda changes:** none

**Minutes:** On motion by Alan/Doug, the minutes of the June 11, 2015 meeting were approved with the following amendment to the first sentence of the third paragraph under Dowsville Headwaters: "Doug, although not supportive of restricting use of the ROW, recommended that if the Selectboard does restrict use of the ROW, taking a phased approach to access control."

**Municipal Planning Grant application:** The Planning Commission is preparing an application for a Municipal Planning Grant from the Vt. Dept. of Housing and Community Development. The purpose of the grant is to hire a consultant to work with the PC and bring the Town's zoning regulations into conformance with the town plan. Erica will be taking the lead on the application. The grant will be matched with up to \$4,000 of town funds included in the FY 2016 budget.

Erica asked that other PC members assist by reviewing the town plan and zoning and identifying specific sections of the zoning that require revision to conform to the plan.

The application deadline is the end of September. Erica will share a draft of her work for review and discussion at the August meeting. Brian will request some time at the August Selectboard meeting to bring the board up to speed and advise the members that we will be requesting Selectboard approval of the application at the September board meeting.

**Vermont 100/U.S. 2 intersection:** Discussion focused on whether the temporary signal at the intersection in Moretown is truly temporary, and the lack of any accommodation for pedestrians crossing U.S. 2. According to VTrans, the signal is temporary while construction is underway in Waterbury, so any further improvements at the intersection are very unlikely. Beyond that, it appears that the roundabout that was the preferred alternative in the 2012 traffic study (and supported by the study steering committee) is not a priority for VTrans and isn't likely to be constructed without another study. Brian will check with CVRPC staff to find out if the 2012 study was ever approved by the RPC Transportation Advisory Committee.

**Vigilante Road:** This issue was discussed by the Selectboard at its June 30 special meeting. The board did not approve the PC recommendation to restrict motorized use of the legal trail during the non-snow months. Brian will continue to explore options for access control with the adjoining landowners, Dept. of Forests, Parks and Recreation and Trust for Public Land.

**Mad River Watershed stormwater management project:** The Friends of the Mad River is assembling a "Task Force" of representatives of the five valley towns and other parties. A meeting is in the works for July.

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**Harwood UHS stormwater management project:** This project, led by Friends of the Mad River, has been funded. Representatives of the Friends and HUHS are meeting with the consultant on July 15. In Kim Greenwood's absence, Brian will represent the town.

**Town forest:** Alan, John Murphy and Brian will meet with Forests, Parks and Recreation staff on July 21 to get started on developing the Town/FPR MOU mandated by the legislature.

**Other business:** none

**Next meeting:** August 13, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the town garage meeting room.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Minutes by B.T. Fitzgerald