

Approved As Amended
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
August 17, 2011
7:30 PM
Jamestown Town Hall
93 Narragansett Ave.

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 and the following members were present:
Michael Swistak – Chair Duncan Pendlebury – Vice Chair
Rosemary Enright Michael Jacquard
Susan Little Richard Lynn
Michael Smith

Also present:
Lisa Bryer, AICP – Town Planner
Cinthia Reppe – Planning Assistant

I. Approval of Minutes

July 20, 2011

A motion was made by Commissioner Pendlebury and seconded by Commissioner Enright to accept the minutes as written. So unanimously voted. Commissioner Little abstains.

July 27, 2011

A motion was made by Commissioner Pendlebury and seconded by Commissioner Enright to accept the minutes with the following change on Page 2, last paragraph, second sentence:
Yes Mr. Murphy said, Mr. Holland current property owner said it was begun by the prior owner and they did environmental testing on the commercial property and there is a clean bill of health.
She would like to see the testing done on the residential property as well.

II. Correspondence – nothing at this time

III. Citizen's Non Agenda Item – nothing at this time

IV. Reports

1. Town Planner's Report
2. Chairpersons report
3. Town Committees
 - a. Harbor
 - b. Buildings and Facilities – Committee is finalizing report on Country Club
 - c. Affordable Housing Committee
 - d. North Rd. Bike Path Committee
4. Sub Committees

V. Old Business

1. Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan

a. Circulation – Final Draft

Made some minor changes to the document

b. Population – Final Draft

No additional changes made

c. Economic Development – Final Draft

Town Planner Lisa Bryer has some further revisions before the Planning Commission review

d. Open Space & Recreation – Final Draft

A few additional changes were made

e. Action Plan Amendments – Open Space, Agriculture and Recreation

Town Planner Lisa Bryer went through the amendments made to the action plan for Open Space, Agriculture and Recreation.

Commissioner Little questioned the section in the action plan adopting conservation development. She does not remember voting on this to incorporate it into the comp plan. Town Planner Lisa Bryer suggested if the commission wants to change the wording then we can, but changing it relaxes the requirements. Once we have the build out completed we will see, it is only going to apply to a few parcels in Jamestown. Option not completely voluntary but put something in regarding environmental constraints. Commissioner Smith agrees with Commissioner Little. Town Planner Lisa Bryer said we at least need to look at this and maybe soften it by adding Adopt if feasible. Commissioner Swistak says it is not defined, it is just a technique. Commissioners Swistak and Pendlebury agree that the action plan as written is OK. Commissioner Enright suggested ~~develop zoning that allows for significant open space, one of things we like to do is develop zoning to encourage open space.~~

Commissioner Smith wants the vistas back that used to be in Jamestown. CRMC and the other state agencies have allowed brush to grow and we have lost our vistas. We will add the survey questions about vistas and open space.

VI. New Business – nothing at this time

Attest:



Cynthia L Reppe

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