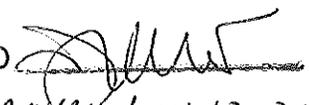


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HUNTINGTON PLANNING COMMISSION
Minutes of October 14, 2013

PRESENT: Everett Marshall, Knox Cummin, Julia Austin, Dana Cummings, Gordon Miller
ABSENT: Heather Pembrook
OTHERS PRESENT:
MINUTES: Heidi Racht

Agenda

- 7 pm Town Plan

- 8:45 Public Comment
- 8:55 Minutes of September 23, 2013
Minutes of September 30, 2013
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- 9:15 Member Business
- 9:30 Adjourn

The Planning Commission meeting began at 7:11 pm with four members present; chaired by Knox Cummin. Minutes were taken by Heidi Racht.

Town Plan	<p>Recreation The Commission discussed a revised version of Recreation, drafted by Julia Austin.</p> <p>Most of the comments were to address minor edits to the section, although a bit of time was spent on how to deal with Camel's Hump/Camels Hump. Commission decided to use the apostrophe.</p> <p>One point of discussion in this section is to be sure that hunting is listed as recreation. The Commission decided not to put watercraft in the list.</p> <p>ACTION ITEM: Austin will finish this section for the next meeting.</p> <p>Energy The Energy section was also drafted by Julia Austin. The Commission had a discussion on the cost of fossil fuels leading to an increase in energy costs. The decision was to change the language in paragraph 3 to read, "if all types of energy were converted to use electricity..." Other changes were made to the section. The Commission also had a brief discussion on hydropower.</p> <p>ACTION ITEM: Austin will revise the Energy section for the next meeting.</p>
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	<p>Natural Resources Discussion on this section, drafted by Dana Cummings, centered mainly around the language. Cummings said he would condense the policies to implementations.</p> <p>There was also some discussion on the fact that the 100-foot riparian buffer had been removed.</p> <p>ACTION ITEM: Cummings will revise Natural Resources for the next meeting.</p> <p>Education There was a brief discussion on the format of the Education section that was reviewed and revised by the school board. Heidi Racht said she had done some formatting and had put the Goals, Objectives and Implementation points back in.</p> <p>ACTION ITEM: A revision will be sent out this week for final review on October 21.</p>
<p>Member Comments</p>	<p>Everett Marshall checked with the Commission about having Kate McCarthy from VNRC (Vermont Natural Resources Council) come to the November 18 meeting.</p> <p>ACTION ITEM: McCarthy will be on the agenda 7:30 to 8:30.</p>
<p>Town Plan</p>	<p>The Commission discussed the ad that is to go into the Times Ink to warn the Public Hearing on December 5. It has to be finished on October 21. Racht recommended wording in the ad that states that the document will be available on November 4 – paper and on the web. The documents also have to be mailed for receipt on November 4.</p> <p>When Cummin raised the issue of an overlay with Special Flood Hazard and Fluvial Erosion, there was discussion about the way this could be done. It was agreed, that putting the two areas on the same map could be confusing. Flood Hazard areas are federally-mapped and property owners often have to have flood insurance or the ability to get a mortgage could be compromised. Fluvial Erosion areas do not have the insurance requirement.</p> <p>A bit of time was spent clarifying public water protection areas and public water supplies. It was determined that the town has four public water supplies – Brewster-Pierce School, Huntington Fire District #1 (Huntington Woods/Roberts Park), Sleepy Hollow Inn and the Huntington portion of Lazy</p>

Brook trailer park.

There was discussion about the reproduction of the maps, which will be small and hard to read on letter-size paper. An earlier version of the Town Plan had the maps in a larger size, although there was some concern about the cost – a link will be put on the website.

ACTION ITEM: Racht will look up the statutory requirements for map availability.

Knox Cummin also said he wanted to have the parcels boundaries as part of the maps; Marshall said this was easily accomplished.

ACTION ITEM: Cummin will contact CCRPC about adjusting the maps.

Future Zoning Changes

Small edits were discussed and made.

Facilities, etc.

The Commission reviewed at comments submitted by Dori Barton.

The Commission talked about access to the Town Forest.

It was pointed out that the paragraph on the Town Hall was out of date and someone from the Town Hall Committee should be asked to revise it.

ACTION ITEM: Racht will contact Barbara Felitti and ask her to review and make revisions.

Austin reported that she was still waiting to hear from Barbara Elliott about having a paragraph in this section on Emergency Management. This will be added.

Minor corrections were made to the paragraph on cemeteries.

Other Town Plan Points

The report of the HPC to that outlines the work done on the plan needs to complete in order to be sent out by November 1 to the statutory organizations and adjoining towns.

Gordon Miller suggested a link to the Water/Wastewater Capacity Evaluation Final Report, dated July 2, 2012.

Dana Cummings read from the statute about what happens after the HPC's

	Public Hearing. The Commission may make revisions and then sends the document to the Selectboard, which reviews and holds a public hearing.
Public Comment	No public was present.
Town Plan Schedule	October 21 Items for completion: Economics Education Senior Housing Housing Relationship to Other Towns Population Data Facilities – update Goals Transportation
Member Business	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Gordon Miller brought up the new Coke machine in front of the Huntington Garage and asked if it was in violation of the ordinance. No conclusions were drawn. 2. Miller described the discussion around cell phone service that took place at the Selectboard meeting on October 7.

Adjournment: Everett Marshall moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Dana Cummings. The Commission adjourned the meeting at 10:53 pm.

UNAPPROVED MINUTES TO THE HPC: October 16, 2013

MINUTES APPROVED: November 11, 2013

APPROVED MINUTES TO THE TOWN CLERK: November 12, 2013