

Morristown Planning Commission
Minutes for 11/06/2001

Present: Julia Compagna, Sam Guy, Bill Henchey, Kevin Lane, Kelly Rogers, Bruce Tomlinson

Absent: Stehpen Jennings

Guests: Heidi Krantz

Prior Meeting Minutes – The minutes from the 9/18/2001 and 10/16/2001 meetings were reviewed. Sam motioned that they be accepted as written. Julia seconded this motion and it passed without dissent.

Economic Grant – Heidi provided the Commission with an update on the Economic Grant, reporting as follows:

- Cynthia is completing the last of the interviews in the North End
- North End respondents report no “major complaints” and say they “like doing business here”. She reported that the North End respondents have a “very different reaction” from those in the village but did not detail those differences. And they (North End respondents) do not see a need for a stronger link with the village.
- The report is scheduled to be completed on 12/15/2001 and it is hoped that it will be available for the 12/18/2001 joint meeting.

Additionally, the Vermont Community Development Grant application deadline is 2/05/2002. This grant is the continuation of Heidi’s “employment” and the Town needs to define what her continued role will be. Some groups covered under the current Grant (such as River Arts and the Conservation Commission) may not require the same level of support – while others (Downtown, etc) will need continued support.

Mail – The Commission reviewed it’s mail. No action was required. The mail did include a letter of resignation from Stephen Jennings, which was read aloud in it’s entirety and accepted with regret.

Recruiting – Stephen’s departure creates a vacancy on the Commission. Julia will contact Bill Bourne to see if he is interested in joining and she will direct Mark Leonard to advertise the vacancy.

Mini-Storage In Existing Barns – The Commission continued its discussion of this topic:

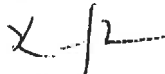
- Sam reviewed a list of existing barns. Many are stanchion barns and therefore are not readily adaptable to mini-storage usage. However many are inactive – and therefore may be interested in another use (such as mini-storage).
- The Commission decided that input from barn owners would be valuable in steering the discussion. Julia will invite barn owners to the 11/20/2001 meeting to obtain their input on the matter.
- Concern regarding the commercial usage at Mac Miller's barns (Jourdan Electric) was noted. It was not known whether permits had been issued to enable this usage and whether or not this usage is legal. Julia will have Mark Leonard look into this matter.

Agenda Items

- Discuss mini-storage with existing barn owners
- Formulate discussion items for 12/18 joint commission meeting

At 8:30, Kelly motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Bill seconded her motion - and the motion passed unanimously.

Submitted Respectfully,


Kevin Lane