

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 20, 1996



Planning Commission Members Present: Bill Bourne, Rich Furlong, Jane Greene, Sam Guy, Norm Nepveu. Absent: Debra Mason, George Robson.

Village Revitalization Committee Attendees: Dawn Andrews, Sean Folley, Paul Trudell.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Bill Bourne, Chairman.

The Planning Commission could not approve the minutes of the February 6, 1996 meeting because of lack of a quorum.

A lengthy discussion was conducted with members of the Village Revitalization Committee. The following topics were discussed:

- Bike paths, pedestrian walkways, and access to riverfront.
- Greater density in commercial district.
- Parking improvements.
- Use of railroad right-of-way for pedestrians, bikers, skiers and snowmobiles.
- Post office and video store locations.
- Traffic flow, impact of the Bypass.
- Design Review Standards (Yes or No)
- Protection of aesthetic and natural resources.
- Historic bridge from 1900 era.
- Town Plan needs to provide blueprint of how certain areas should be developed.
- How power line visibility detracts from scenic beauty of certain areas.
- Try to capitalize on tourist market.
- Investigation of funding sources.
- Need for a full-time position to plan and coordinate for best use of all available resources.
- Use of flood plain areas for recreation.

The involvement of Planning Commission members on the Development Review Board was discussed. Bill Bourne will involve the Selectboard and the DRB in deciding the best way to allow both the Planning Commission and the DRB to function in the most efficient manner.

The Planning Commission will refer Bill Moulton's concern about overnight parking to the Selectboard. Bill Bourne will write a letter of reprimand to Ken Sweetser regarding his actions in this matter.

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Bill Bourne will draft a memo which will require written authorization before anyone from Planning or Zoning can call for legal advice which will result in a billable legal expense.

The Planning Commission voted to reappoint Rich Furlong as a member of the Planning Commission for another four years.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rich Furlong
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Approved.