

NORWICH PLANNING COMMISSION  
Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 26, 2012, Tracy Hall

**Regular Meeting**

**Members Present:** Ralph Hybels, Richard Stucker, Tom Gray, Anne Silberfarb, Susan Brink

**Members Absent:** Daniel Johnson, Jeff Goodrich

**Clerk:** Phil Dechert **Others:**

Tom Gray, Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:15PM.

**1. Agenda – Approved**

It was noted that since there had not been an election of officers, it would be scheduled for the August 9 meeting.

**2. Comments from the Public – None**

**3. Minutes – 7-12-12 – Approved with changes. See #5 a. below.**

**4. Announcements & Reports & Correspondence**

- a. Selectboard meeting on communication tower options – August 15, 6:30 PM
- b. Town Manager meeting on pool dam replacement options – August 20, 7 PM

**5. Subdivision Regulation Revisions –**

- a. Storm Water Management and Erosion Control 3.5 – A revised draft dated July 18, 2012 was revised to include a requirement that development resulting in a disturbed area of contiguous property with slope grades exceeding an average of 25% is required to have a stormwater management and/or erosion prevention and sediment control plan as described in (C). These changes were approved 5-0. This change was proposed at the July 12 meeting.
- b. Public Workshop – A public workshop for review of the amended subdivision regulations will be on August 23 at 7 PM. (**Note:** This was later changed to September 27<sup>th</sup> due to a schedule conflict.)

**6. Zoning Amendment – River/Stream Corridor Management**

The Commission began the process of researching and writing a revised section on stream and river protection based on the existing Blood Brook Fluvial Erosion Hazard (FEH) mapping created several years ago, guidelines created by the Rivers Management Program at Vermont ANR, and the experience gained from Tropical Storm Irene. Members reviewed a map of the entire length of Blood Brook and its major tributaries showing the existing protection areas and the proposed protection areas based on the FEH study.

A workshop with Gretchen Alexander, a rivers scientist from the Rivers Management Program, is scheduled for September 13 at 7 PM.

**7. Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 PM.**

Phil Dechert, Clerk

*APPROVED 8/9/12*

**Future Meetings:** Thursday, August 9 at 7 PM  
Thursday, August 23 at 7 PM – Cancelled

Thursday, September 13 at 7 PM – River/Stream Protection Workshop  
Thursday, September 27 at 7 PM – Subdivision Regulations Amendments

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