

NORWICH PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 29, 2005

Tracy Hall - Conference Room

Members Present: Daniel Johnson (Chair), Ralph Hybels, Lynn McGrew, Jeffrey Mathias, Douglas Hoffman, Alison McRee, Stuart Richards, Jaye Johnson

Members Absent: Adele Fulton

Public - None

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM

1. *Approve Agenda* - Add Public Comment and Executive Session. **Motion** by D. Hoffman, L. McGrew-second - Unanimous.

1.A - *Public Comment* - None

2. *Survey Continue Review of latest drafts* - Unless indicated otherwise each of the following actions were agreed to by unanimous consent. The current draft of the Survey under review is Survey #1139 consisting of 36 questions authored by consultant Kathleen Kanz of Two Rivers Ottawaquechee Regional Planning Commission. (Actions pertain to question numbers indicated.)

**Actions:**

26. Left as is.

27. Change to - Does Norwich need to develop a park and ride system? Yes  No  . If yes, should this be for Norwich Residents only? Yes  No

28 Change to - How satisfied are you with the state of our roads? Not satisfied  Satisfied  Very satisfied

29. Change to - Should the town spend a greater share of the town budget on: Road maintenance  Road improvements and upgrades  Both  Neither

30. Add - Brooks, streams and rivers

31. Change to - More than at present  The same  Fewer  None

32. Change to same choices as 31. Take out open space plan

33. Remove

34. Change to - What effect do you think an increase of the following will have on the quality of life in Norwich? Add - residential growth, trails, open space, village sidewalks, repaving paved roads, paving gravel roads. The column "Have no effect" should be between "Improve it" and "Erode it".

35. Deleted.

36. R. Hybels **Motion**, D.Hoffman-second: to change to: How much would you be willing to see your taxes increased to develop these community resources? Change columns to read: None  not much  some  a lot  a whole lot . Passed 5-2-0. (For: R. Hybels, D. Hoffman, J. Johnson, A. McRee, D. Johnson. Against - L.McGrew, S.Richards.) Richards and McGrew stated that additional specificity was needed in the response portion of this question and in the Survey generally.

3. *Support Staff Review* - Hoffman **Motion**, Second McRee - Unanimous - to go into Executive Session after a short recess. The public meeting was reconvened after the conclusion of the Executive Session by the Chair at 9:40.

4. *Minutes* - 6/15/05 Deferred.

4.A. *Public Comments* - None

5. *Future Agenda Items & Schedule* - Discussion of having an Assistant ZA during the absence of the ZA and at other times to help get the work of the ZA done. Discussion of By-Law Changes.

6. *Adjournment* - **Motion** to adjourn - D. Johnson, second D. Hoffman. Unanimous at 9:45 PM.

*Future Meetings:*

Thursday, July 14 - 6:30 PM Regular Meeting

Thursday, July 28 - 6:30 PM Regular Meeting

**NOTE:** Starting in July, Planning Commission meetings will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at 6:30 PM

Submitted by,

Stuart L. Richards, Acting Scribe

Jeffrey D. Mathias, Clerk

**Approved: July 14, 2005**

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Daniel Johnson, Chair