

NORWICH PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 19, 2007

Tracy Hall - Conference Room

Members Present: Daniel Johnson, Ralph Hybels, Jeffrey Mathias, Lynn McGrew, Alison McRee

Members Absent: Adele Fulton, Tom Gray, Jaye Pershing Johnson, Richard Stucker

Staff: Phil Dechert

Public: none

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:54 p.m.

1. Approve Agenda -

Procedure: The agenda was amended to add an Article 5 clarification as the first item in #4. The amended agenda was approved by **unanimous consent**.

2. Comments from the Public - none

3. Announcements & Correspondence - none

The chair asked if the PC should have rules concerning debate involving the length of time and number of times a member would be allowed to speak on an issue. The only common feeling by all present was that the chair could use discretion to remind members when they were repetitious or off topic and then stop the repetitious or off topic discussion.

4. Zoning Regulation Revisions -

Article 5

A question was raised as to possible discrepancy of language in 5(D)(7) and 5(D)(12). The language was explained and no discrepancy found.

Table 2.8 - Shoreline Overlay District - alternative draft 3/15/07

P. Dechert distributed and described the latest alternative draft to Table 2.8 which includes a woodland protection buffer.

Action: Motion by J. Mathias to approve the alternative 3/15/07 draft of Table 2.8 as part of the zoning draft. Second by A. McRee. **Passed unanimous.**

Hardcopy will be available at the hearing and other places the zoning draft is available.

5. Plan Public Hearing Format

The hearing agenda and procedures for receiving public comment were reviewed and the chair made several notes for the opening presentation. Maps were reviewed and the Shoreline Protection Map will need to be updated and hopefully larger maps will be on display at the hearing. P. Dechert announced that the Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Planning Commission had reviewed the draft zoning and found it consistent with the regional plan and state rules.

6. Comments from the Public - none

The next meetings are scheduled for:

Thursday, March 22 - 6:30 PM (Public Hearing)

Thursday, April 12 - 6:30 PM (regular meeting)

7. Adjournment -

Procedure: Motion to adjourn by A. McRee. Second by J. Mathias. **Passed unanimous.**
Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Approved May 10, 2007

Jeffrey D. Mathias
Clerk, Norwich Planning Commission