

NORWICH PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 28, 2009

Tracy Hall - Meeting Room

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

Members Absent: Brooke Adler, Jeff Goodrich, Daniel Johnson **Clerk:** Phil Dechert

Others:

Tom Gray, Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

1. Approve Agenda – Agenda was approved by **unanimous consent**.

2. Comments from the Public – None

3. Announcements & Correspondence – None

4. Minutes – May 14, 2009 minutes approved as read.

5. Report - May 27, 2009 – Selectboard Meeting – Open Meeting Policy

- At their May 27 meeting, the Selectboard discussed a draft of an Open Meeting Policy for all town boards, commissions, and committees. A final draft will be considered at their June 10 meeting. The new policy, as originally drafted, will not require change in the current practices of the Planning Commission.

6. Town Plan –

Transportation Chapter – Reviewed, discussed, and revised 5-28-09 draft of Transportation Goals, Objectives, and Actions. Extensive details in sections on school bus routes and safety, and Scenic Road maintenance were deleted. There were additions to public transportation, bike/ped facilities, and regional transportation planning. The revised draft will be added to the Transportation Chapter and distributed to the PC members and Transportation Committee Members.

Energy Chapter – There was a general discussion of the revised draft (4-21-09) and the February 2008 Energy Conservation Policy Draft submitted by the Energy Committee. Dechert will update the statistics in the draft Energy Chapter and add information from the February 2008 Energy Conservation Policy Draft.

The effect of the recently passed Energy legislation on the town plan document was discussed.

7. Adjournment – 9:30 PM

Phil Dechert

APPROVED 6/11/09

Future Meetings:

Wednesday, June 10 at 6:30 PM - Selectboard Public Hearing - Zoning Amendments

Thursday, June 11 at 7 PM – Regular Meeting