

NORWICH PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 29, 2009

Tracy Hall - Meeting Room

Members Present: Brooke Adler, Richard Stucker, Ralph Hybels, Daniel Johnson

Members Absent: Jeff Goodrich, Tom Gray, Anne Silberfarb

Clerk: Phil Dechert

Others: Gabe Zoerheide

Dan Johnson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:18 PM.

Upper Valley Intermodal Transportation Facility

Gabe Zoerheide, coordinator for the Upper Valley Transportation Management Association, presented an overview of the preliminary planning for an Upper Valley Intermodal Transportation Facility. Funding for the project comes from a \$500,000 grant through NHDOT for a facility along the I-89 corridor serving New Hampshire and Vermont communities in the Upper Valley. The Project Advisory Committee is evaluating potential sites and proposals from consultants. The sites will be presented at a public meeting on November 17. The facility will primarily serve inter-city busses and may also be a hub for Advance Transit and other regional transit services. Additional information is available at <http://uvtransit.com/>

1. **Agenda** – Approved.
2. **Announcements** –
 - a. Discussion regarding posts on the Norwich ListServ relating to the Planning Commission – Consensus that responses should come from individuals speaking for themselves rather than for the Commission.
3. **Minutes** – 10-8-09 - Approved as read. (No meeting on October 22)
4. **Reports:**
 - a. The Selectboard adopted the CLG – Historic Preservation Commission Ordinance at their October 14 meeting. It becomes effective in 60 days.
 - b. Dechert attended workshops on wildlife habitat and corridor protection, and residential density in rural areas.
 - c. Johnson and Dechert attended the Upper Valley Municipal Network meeting on transportation issues.
5. **Town Plan** –
 - a. Housing and Energy drafts will be reviewed on November 5 at a special meeting.
6. **Other business**
 - a. The draft Town Report article was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Phil Dechert, Clerk

APPROVED 11/12/09

Future Meetings:

Thursday, November 12 at 7 PM – Regular Meeting

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