

NORWICH PLANNING COMMISSION  
Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, March 28, 2013, Tracy Hall

**Regular Meeting**

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

**Members Absent:** Daniel Johnson **Clerk:** Phil Dechert **Others:**

Tom Gray, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM.

1. **Agenda** – Approved.
2. **Minutes** – 3-14-13 –approved without changes
3. **Announcements & Reports & Correspondence** –  
Patchen’s Point – Dechert met with the Conservation Commission on March 19 to discuss potential uses by the town of Patchen’s Point located between the RR and the Connecticut River just south of the Nordic Skater (former Church) property. The land is owned by the state and was once used as a canoe/kayak camp site, but recently has been abandoned. The NCC scheduled a site visit for March 23. There was a question about what are the current uses of the land by residents.
4. **Report on meeting with Selectboard 3-27-13**–  
Gray reported on his presentation to the Selectboard on recent, current, and future Planning Commission projects.  
The Selectboard will discuss the process and scheduling for adoption of the Subdivision Regulation Amendments at a later meeting. Questions regarding changes to the criteria for development on steeper slopes will be addressed in a memo and discussed at a later meeting with the Selectboard along with any other concerns they may have.
5. **“Enhanced Consultation” Meeting with TRORC**  
Peter Gregory and Kevin Geiger are scheduled to meet with Commission on April 25 to discuss local and regional planning needs, new statutory requirements, planning programs available from TRORC, and compliance of the town plan with state planning goals.
6. **River and Stream Corridor Protection (Fluvial Erosion Hazard Area Zoning)**  
Draft changes to Table 2.8 of Zoning Regulations – Review of revisions adding Fluvial Erosion Hazard (FEH) zoning to Shoreline Protection zoning began. Emphasis of the Shoreline Protection is water quality and protecting natural resources, whereas FEH plans maintain natural channel form and functions; and mitigates flood and erosion hazards.
7. Meeting Adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Phil Dechert, Clerk

APPROVED 4/25/13

**Future Meetings:** Thursday, April 11, 2013 at 7 PM – Regular Meeting  
Thursday, April 25, 2013 – Regular Meeting, TRORC

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