

NORWICH PLANNING COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 17, 2017, Tracy Hall

Regular Meeting

Members Present: Brink, Horwitz, Allen, Lubell, Goodrich, Thoms

Members Absent: Brien **Clerk:** Phil Dechert

Others: Stuart Richards, Marcia Calloway, Colin Calloway, Linda Cook

Jeff Goodrich, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

1. **Approve Agenda** – Approved
2. **Meeting Topics and Goals**
 Town Plan Update Draft - Review and approve changes 8-13-17 Draft
3. **Comments from the Public**
 - a. Stuart Richards suggested the following changes to the Town Plan:
 - i. Reduce size, scale, and intensity of future development.
 - ii. Eliminate provisions for commercial and mixed-use development, hamlets, and municipal sewer.
 - iii. Concerned with destruction of natural habitat, environment, and historical nature of town.
4. **Minutes** – 7-27-17 – Approved without changes.
5. **Announcements, Reports, Updates & Correspondence**
 - a. TRORC Acceptance letter for town inclusion in Enhanced Energy Study
 - b. Letter from Sachs regarding Town Plan
6. **Town Plan Draft Revisions**
 - a. Review latest Town Plan Draft – Discussed changes from last version
 - i. Lubell and Thoms will continue to update data and tables with formatting assistance from consultant.
 - ii. Goodrich and Dechert will update wetlands on page 99.
 - iii. Hamlets will be removed from Future Land Use text and map.
 - b. Lubell will work on a text mark-up version from 2011 plan to current draft.
7. **Future Meeting Schedule & Agendas**
 - a. It was suggested to set aside a future regular Planning Commission meeting for additional public discussion of Draft Town Plan prior to forwarding it to Selectboard; possibly September 28th.

Adjournment – 8:11 PM

Phil Dechert, Clerk

APPROVED 9/14/17

Future Meetings:

Thursday, September 14, 2017 – Regular Meeting

Thursday, September 28, 2017 – Regular Meeting

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