



Rockingham Planning Commission

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RPC Commission Meeting Exeter Town Offices January 9, 2008

MINUTES

Note: the January 9th RPC Commission meeting was part of a combined MPO Policy Committee and RPC Commission meeting. The minutes for the meeting are divided into two parts and are reviewed and approved separately by the Policy Committee and Commission, respectively.

PART 1: MPO Policy Committee Meeting – 7:00 to 8:45pm

(minutes to be reviewed at the next MPO Policy Committee Meeting)

PART 2: RPC Commission Meeting – 8:55 to 9:30 pm

8:55 p.m. COMMISSION MEETING OPENED

Members Present: Ted Tocci, Chair and Richard McDermott; Hampton Falls; Warren Bamburg, Hampton; Glenn Coppelman, Kingston; Tim Moore, Plaistow; Lee Maloney, Annette Stoller and Peter Griffin, Windham; Joan Whitney, Kensington; Charles Pratt and John Kennedy, Brentwood; Forest Griffin, Exeter; Chris Chimera, South Hampton; Shep Kroner, North Hampton; and Dave Holden and Brian Gregg, Portsmouth.

Staff Present: Cliff Sinnott and Roxanne Rines.

Minutes from October 10, 2007, Commission meeting

Motion: **Kennedy** made a motion to approve the Commission meeting minutes of the October 10, 2007, as written. **Holden** seconded the motion. **Motion approved with Kroner and Gregg abstaining.**

IX. Commissioner Roundtable: Proposed Zoning Amendments or planning related actions proposed for Town Meeting

Tocci stated Hampton Falls has created a Prime Wetlands Ordinance.

Coppelman stated Kingston has created a table with wetland buffer requirements.

Maloney stated Windham is tightening their Blasting Ordinance. **Griffin** stated the change deals with a delay in the demolition of historic buildings.

Kroner stated North Hampton is updating their sexually orientated business ordinance, created a Sustainable Development Ordinance, and is trying to limit traffic impact on Route 1. The

Board is considering an ordinance to limit peak hour trips to any business at 100, this ordinance is not favored by businesses. He also thanked Jill, of the RPC for her help.

Holden stated Portsmouth is creating all new ordinances and regulations. One of interest might be: Residential Density Incentive Bonus for Affordable Housing, which is available through Sinnott.

Sinnott stated Exeter is re-codifying their Zoning Ordinance, was a Downtown Beautification program that has been partially enacted; understands the Heritage Commission is working on a demolition delay ordinance.

Chimera stated South Hampton is updating their Growth Management Ordinance.

Bambury stated Hampton has 68 money warrant articles because the town is working with a default budget.

Whitney stated Kensington has a new Elderly Housing Inclusionary Ordinance.

Kennedy stated Brentwood has a Prime Wetlands Ordinance and the Zoning Ordinance is being re-coded. He spoke about noise decibels.

Kroner stated North Hampton has a citizens petition for an elected Zoning Board because of 30 consecutive variances being granted to the wetland setbacks.

Stoller stated under federal definitions Elderly Housing is now called Older Persons Housing.

X. Budget Amendment #1 for FY 2008

Tocci stated the Executive Committee approved the amendment.

Motion: **Holden** made a motion to approve budget amendment #1 for FY 2008. **Coppelman** seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

XI. RPC Committee Membership, Vacancies, Meeting Schedule

Tocci thanked Sinnott and Moore for creating the schedule. **Sinnott** corrected May and June Executive Committee meeting dates.

Tocci reviewed the various committees and asked if current members wanted to continue and suggested anyone who wants to join a committee to speak with Sinnott.

Tocci stated he spoke with John Sununu about speaking at the annual meeting. He asked Sinnott to write a letter inviting him to speak.

XII. Other Business/ Adjourn

Motion: **Holden** made a motion to adjourn at 9:28 p.m. **McDermott** seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne M. Rines
Recording Secretary

Action Item(s): Sinnott to send letter inviting John Sununu Sr. to be the Annual Meeting speaker.