

PLANNING BOARD WORKSHOP MINUTES

April 11, 2007

ROLL CALL:

Ruth-Ellen Post, Chairman – Present
Nancy Prendergast, Secretary – Present
Phil LoChiatto, Regular Member – Present
Neelima Gogumalla, Alternate – Excused
Alan Carpenter, Selectmen Member – Present

Ross McLeod, Vice Chairman – Excused
Walter Kolodziej, Regular Member – Excused
Pam Skinner, Regular Member – Present
Rick Okerman, Alternate – Present
Margaret Crisler, Selectmen Alternate – Excused

STAFF:

Al Turner, Director of Planning and Development – Present
Shaun Logue, Town Planner – Present

OTHERS:

Cheryl Haas, Recreation Coordinator
Chris O'Neil, Recreation Master Plan Committee
Bill Brennan, Recreation Master Plan Committee

Ms. Post opened the meeting at 7:30 pm. Mr. Okerman replaced Mr. McLeod. Ms. Post introduced Mr. Carpenter as the new regular Selectmen member.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Letter from Alfred Turner, Jr., Director Planning and Development, regarding Donations and Exactions, dated March 23, 2007;
- Letter from David Sullivan, regarding Terra Bella Subdivision - \$1000 / lot donation, dated March 23, 2007.

PUBLIC MATTERS:

Recreation Master Plan Update:

Ms. Haas: The Recreation Master Plan Committee has been working on the Master Plan since January. The committee is comprised of herself and the following 5 volunteers: Chris O'Neil, Bill Brennan, John LaRoche, Ralph Valentine, and Mike Hatem. A 50/50 grant was received through the Rockingham Planning Commission (RPC). The committee worked from and expanded on the four strategies in the Town Master Plan. Strategy 1, to inventory and assess existing recreation facilities in Town, has been completed and RPC is currently developing maps. Strategy 2, to estimate current and future recreation program needs, is in progress. The data is based on a Town survey and future projections with consideration being given to active and passive recreation. RPC is contracted through June 30 and is tasked with Strategies 3 and 4, estimating the need for additional facilities and estimating the costs for both new facilities and long-term maintenance costs for the existing recreation facilities town-wide.

Mr. Kolodziej joined the Board.

Board discussion included impact fees, CIP process, and length of time to complete the Recreation Master Plan. The committee can utilize Planning Staff and the BOS to communicate with RPC, and Planning Staff and Planning Board for input and advice. The committee will provide copies of Strategies 1 and 2 for Planning Board review.

Mr. Kolodziej motioned to adjourn. Mr. LoChiatto seconded. Passed 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

These minutes are in draft form and have not yet been reviewed and approved.
Respectfully submitted, Nancy Charland