

Waterville Valley Planning Board
Summary of the Minutes for the
Planning Board Meeting
Held on Thursday, January 9th, 2020, at 8:00 am
Downstairs Meeting Room- Town Hall

****Final** MINUTES**

Video recording of the meeting is available on the Town website.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER by Chairman Terry Waite at 8:03 am

ROLL CALL for Board Members and Seating of Alternates

1. Full Members in Attendance:

Chairman Terry Waite, Vice-Chair Nancy Knight, Bill Spence, Wendi Rathgeber, Rich Rita, John Recine

2. Alternate Members in Attendance: Mike Koppel - Seated

3. Members Absent: Bill Larsen, Rob Wilson

4. Public in Attendance:

Nick Guiliani, Mark Decoteau, Tara Bamford, David Dean

REVIEW and ACCEPTANCE of MINUTES:

MOTION: “To approve the Planning Board Regular Meeting Minutes of Dec 12th, 2019 as amended”.

Motion: W. Rathgeber

Second: B. Spence

Vote: 7 – Yes, 0 – No

Old Business:

Zoning Amendment Warrant Language:

The Board approved and accepted the language as presented by T. Bamford.

Tara Bamford: Draft of amended Subdivision Regulations

The Board continued their review the Subdivision Regulation section by section. T. Bamford spoke to sections that were changed and left alone. The members spent time discussing the following topics of tree cutting, driveways vs roads, and some changed sections that deal with construction. Amid the conversation M. Decoteau informed the Board that Rick Van de Poll would be coming to the February meeting to discuss his findings with regard to the natural resource inventory (NRI) in town and how to preserve our resources as well as his recommendations. This comment was made in tandem with sections of the regulations that deal with storm water management, erosion and sedimentation. The Board finished reviewing the first draft of regulations. T. Bamford will make the changes discussed and present another draft at a later time.

New Meeting Time:

The Board discussed the scheduling of an “As Needed” meeting. It was decided to schedule the meeting for the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6 pm, when required. This meeting’s goal is to allow opportunity for public participation when public hearings are held or other public opinion is desired.

Master Plan Vision Statement:

T. Waite wrote a revised vision statement after the last meeting for the Board to discuss. One of the bigger questions for the statement was the language of strives to be vs will be. The members discussed the implications of both phrases and took a vote. Strives to be was voted as the language to be used. The members thought about the important aspects of what they would want the statement to say and came up with a “working statement”. “Waterville Valley strives to be New Hampshire’s most – sustainable combination of small-town vibrancy, natural beauty, all-season recreation, and highest-quality public services.” The Board is to think on this statement and come up with goals to help with specificity in the above-mentioned topics. R. Rita took leave of the meeting

New Business:

2020 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP): Mark Decoteau

M. Decoteau briefed the members of the Board on the handout containing the proposed CIP for 2020. He said if members had any questions that they could email, call, or stop by his office to discuss them.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Town Core Group

Gathered RFQs from engineering contractors and are in the process of deciding who it wishes to work with. Town Core Group hopes to start phase 1 of the Town Trail project in the spring.

2. Conservation Commission

J. Recine informed the Board of Rick Van de Poll’s meeting with the commission last night. As well as strongly encouraged members to attend the meeting on the 18th where Rick Van de Poll will be giving a full presentation of his study regarding the NRI.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Nothing to report.

TICKLER FILES:

1. Master Plan Review Discussion:

Members are focused on developing a vision statement to further direct the development of the other chapters.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: “To adjourn at 10:50 am.”

Motion: W. Rathgeber

Second: B. Spence

Vote: 6 – Yes, 0 – No

Respectfully submitted,
Nick Guiliani