

Wilmington Planning Commission
Meeting February 27, 2017

Meeting called to order by Cheryl LaFlamme, chair, at 4:03 pm.

In attendance: Cheryl LaFlamme (chair), Wendy Manners-Seaman, Angela Yakovleff, Craig Ohlson, Gretchen Havreluk

Visitors: Renee Milkey, Mike Quinn, Eric Silverstein (by phone), Tom Consolino
John Gannon, selectboard

1. Additions to the agenda

Eric Silverstein is joining the meeting by phone. He is possibly interested in serving on the planning commission or the zoning board.

Topics for discussion at next meeting to include

- Flood hazard district re-write
- Rural residential
- Emergency services VTRANS

2. Approve minutes of February 13, 2017 meeting

Correction to minutes, Wendy Manners-Seaman was in attendance at the meeting. Angela made a motion to approve minutes with noted correction.

Wendy seconded

In favor 3, Opposed 0

Approved

3. Discussion of Memorandum of Understanding with the Hermitage Club

Act 250b permit has been approved.

Updates were made on the memorandum indicating the progress and/or changes that have happened.

Renee Milkey discussed the outreach (school to work programs) being done between Windham County high schools and The Hermitage Club.

Mike Quinn was asked about availability of tickets to Wilmington residents. At present only a handful of people have taken advantage of this. Tickets are \$100. He will get information to Craig and Jessica so it can be included on the Town web-site. Hiking trails have been marked. Signage is still in process.

There was discussion concerning viability of the Club, programs, staff work in the off-season.

Cheryl asked about the solar project. It is presently being planned only at the base lodge just below the club house. Anticipated start date is sometime in June. It will be screened. The hotel is on hold for now. At a minimum the earliest it would start would be spring of 2018.

Questions about the fire department were asked. There is one volunteer from district 2.

Data on full and part time local employees will be provided by the Hermitage Club at the season's close in June then again in August. Quarterly meeting with the planning commission will continue.

There are positions open on the Planning commission and the Design Review Board. A member must be a Wilmington resident or property owner. Craig will get back to Mike about the possibility of interest in those positions.

4. Discuss High Meadows Fund

Gretchen Havreluk updated the board on the Grant proposal (Request for Proposals).

A response was received on Monday, February 27 to the Letter of Intent that provided feedback as we move forward with the full application that is due by June 1, 2017.

Whitingham may be interested in joining as a team member. Dover has not shown as much interest. Harriman's new owners were contacted but with uncertainties right now they are not interested.

Wendy has talked to Windham Regional. She thinks they are behind us.

John Gannon will request a letter of full support from the Selectboard.

We were strongly encouraged to attend the ECHO summit on March 24, 25 with a team. Craig will check to see if it is possible to attend only one of the days and make final contacts with names of attendees.

Cheryl and Craig can attend. John Gannon may be able to attend.

John will contact Barry Lampke himself since he is in session.

Angela is not able to attend because of prior commitment. Wendy thinks we should promote a team.

Gretchen will check to see if a representative from Whitingham is able to attend, possibly Brad Lackey. Gretchen will contact Randy Terk to see if someone from Dover is able to join the team. Wendy suggested we contact someone at Mt. Snow, Laurie Newton? Craig will talk to John Bennett.

The goal is to sign up by the end of next week.

5. Village design review district and zoning amendments

Wendy updated the document to reflect recommendations made during the hearing. These were reviewed and discussed. Board members should check over the document, particularly section 230 before the next meeting.

6. Cheryl suggested postponing discussion of prioritization and volunteer proposal to the March 13 meeting.

7. Adjourn meeting

Wendy made a motion to adjourn the meeting

Angela seconded.

In favor 3, opposed 0

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.

Next meeting March 13, 2017 at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Angela Yakovleff