

MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, March 21, 2019

LOCATION: Greensboro Town Hall, Collier Room

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Miltenberger (Vice Chair), Christine Armstrong, Jerilyn Virden, Ellen Celnik, Carol Fairbank, Kent Hansen (by phone)

OTHERS PRESENT: Hal Gray, MacNeil

ABSENT: Dan Predpall (Chair)

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 5:00 p.m.

- 1. Motion by Jerilyn, second by Christine to approve minutes of January 9th as written. Motion carries.
- 2. Status of NVDA's review of Town Plan (energy section plus others). Dan has received comments from the NVDA and will make updates to the plan.
- 3. Status of the Bend Revitalization Initiative.
 - a. Letter to residents (Nancy Hill). No update.
 - b. Better Connections Grant. The proposal was rejected, but the application was considered a strong, and we are encouraged to re-apply. Dan: meet with Better Connections contact and find out how to improve chances next year.
- 4. Report on Progress on Action Items.
 - a. Dan: Junk Vehicle & Dangerous Buildings Ordinances. No update.
 - b. Carol: Recreation booklet. Summer internship posted on NVU website for Johnson and Lyndon campuses. The position is part time and unpaid. Suggestion to offer housing to potential applicants to make the position more attractive. Walking Ladies & others are good resources. Comment: Greensboro website could use an update to make it more user-friendly e.g. Shelburne website, done by a volunteer.
 - c. Ellen/Kent: Roads, Housing. No Update on Roads. A housing committee has been formed, which includes a member of the DRB, several interested townspeople, plus representatives from Willey's, Jasper Hill & Hill Farmstead. The first meeting will be scheduled for mid-April. Committee members include Robbie Hearst (Willey's), Craig McKenzie (Jasper Hill), Denise Hill (Hill Farmstead), Rob Brigham, Bill Smith, and others. Connections have been made with NPOs in VT and the NEK to collect resource information in preparation for the committee meetings (Rural Edge, Developmental Cycles (performs needs assessment), and the VT Affordable Housing Coalition. David Allen may be interested in building affordable housing on his property. There are questions about a conservation easement, so more information is needed. Jon Ramsay is a good person to invite to the housing committee.



- d. Jerilyn: Lakeview School Integration. Grant application has been submitted for funding for a Pickleball court to be installed in Lakeview gym. Jerilyn: An update about the condition of the gym floor is necessary to proceed.
- e. Kent: Affordable housing. (See c.)
- f. David: Recreation. Once town plan has been approved, PC will review comments from public meetings to determine the direction recreation efforts should take.
- g. Christine: Natural resources. Christine is collecting information about the condition of the dam, water quality, septic education. Suggestion to modify zoning regulations so there is a different approach to the accommodations they need to make in the DRB application (around water quality), possibly add a no-mow zone and educate people about the value of shoreline vegetation (current setback is for building, but not mowing or removal of vegetation). Review option when PC reconvenes on bylaws. Christine: Add informative articles to GA newsletter and website to include ways to protect water quality. Stew Arnold & David Miltenberger will be testing water quality in the spring, potentially after manuring.
- 5. Public hearing on Town Plan: March 21, 6 p.m. Collier Room
- 6. Review of DRB Report to the Planning Commission. MacNeil provided some background on the letter, which is a summary of what was discussed at the meeting, plus some edits that were made by individual members of the DRB. The PC will review the letter closely, and incorporate feedback as appropriate.
- 7. Motion by Ellen, second by Christine to adjourn at 5:54 p.m. Motion carries.

Minutes submitted by Carol Fairbank