

**TOWN OF WARREN
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
MAY 10, 2004**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Clayton Cormier, Chair; John Donaldson, John Goss, Lisa Miserendino, Don LaHaye, Jim Sanford.

OTHERS PRESENT: Karen Winchell, Pat Pinkston, Shannon M. Hill, DRB/PC Assistant.

AGENDA: 1) 7:30 PM Call to Order
2) Sign Minutes from April 7, April 12 & April 26
3) Prepare for Affordable Housing Public Meeting May 19th
4) Town Plan Update – Chapters 1 & 9
5) Review changes to state regulations (Chapter 117, Title 24)
6) Other Business

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Cormier called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM.

II. SIGNING OF MINUTES

a) Signing of minutes

MOTION by Mr. Cormier, seconded by Mr. Donaldson, to approve the April 7, 2004 public meeting minutes. VOTE: unanimous; motion carried.

MOTION by Mr. Sanford, seconded by Mr. LaHaye, to approve the April 12, 2004 public meeting minutes. VOTE: unanimous; motion carried.

III. PREPARE FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING PUBLIC MEETING

Karen Winchell and Pat Pinkston came before the board to help prepare for the affordable housing public hearing scheduled for May 19, 2004. Ms. Winchell has agreed to make a brief presentation outlining the affordable housing problem in the Mad River Valley. The other panel members will briefly introduce themselves and be available for questions from the public. The PC decided against having Ms. Winchell present a “case study” on the failed Behn Road affordable housing project because they knew some residents of Warren have strong views about the project and they did not want the meeting to become a debate about one specific project.

The board requested Ms. Hill e-mail all of the panel members and ask them to prepare a five minute introduction and brief explanation of their role in the affordable housing dilemma. They also requested Ms. Hill contact local architects to make sure they knew about the meeting.

Ms. Hill will put together a fact sheet on affordable housing in Warren and contact Cory Hatch from the Valley Reporter to see if he would like to attend.

IV. TOWN PLAN UPDATE

The board reviewed Chapters 1 and 9 of the Warren Town Plan. They suggested changes which Ms. Hill will incorporate.

V. REVIEW CHANGES TO STATE REGULATIONS

The board reviewed the document Ms. Hill distributed that outlined the changes to the state land use regulations, Act 200. Ms. Hill noted that one significant change is that accessory dwellings less than 600 ft² and no more than 30% of the primary dwelling will be a permitted use and no longer require conditional use review by the Development Review Board.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. LaHaye, seconded by Mr. Cormier to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: unanimous; motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Shannon M. Hill
DRB/PC Assistant

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