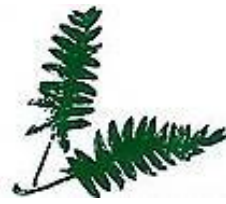


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Town of Dorset Planning Commission January 9, 2018

Members Present: Brooks Addington (Chairman), Carter Rawson, Kit Wallace,
Scott Thompson, Adam Danaher, Dick Coss, Brent Herrmann
Members Absent: Gay Squire, Charlie Wise
Also Present: Tyler Yandow (Zoning Administrator), Nancy Faesy (BCRC
Rep), Joan Menson

B. Addington, Chairman, opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Chair to Note Any Changes in Agenda

None

Disclosure of Any Conflicts of Interest

None

Have Board Members Introduce Themselves. Invite Other Attendees to Do the Same and State Why They Are Attending

Ask if Anyone Other Than the Secretary Intends to Make an Audio or Video Recording of the Meeting

Approve Minutes of November 7, 2017 and December 5, 2017

A. Danaher moved and B. Addington seconded to approve the November 7, 2017 minutes as presented. Motion carried 5-0 (B. Herrmann & K. Wallace abstained).

K. Wallace moved and B. Addington seconded to approve the December 5, 2017 minutes as presented. Motion carried 5-0 (C. Rawson & A. Danaher abstained).

Report from the Zoning Administrator

T. Yandow's report covered:

- Town Energy & Transportation Plan ~ Energy Committee, BCRC & Catherine Bryars are continuing to work on the plan.
- Event Permit Discussion ~ the SB members will be reviewing a draft

- event permit ordinance presented by the Town Attorney.
- Sign Ordinance ~ SB has not issued any new information
 - Municipal Planning Grant ~ information has been given to M. Anders of the BCRC by the ZA to start the grant project process.
 - Town of Manchester ~ a copy of Bylaw revisions have been received as required by law. The Dorset Board discussed the Manchester waiver section in the revised ZBL's. T. Yandow is to email a copy of the revised Manchester ZBL's to all the PC members for review of the waiver sections.

Report from Representative to BCRC

N. Faesy noted that there was no BCRC meeting last month, but there will be a meeting in Manchester on January 18, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the Manchester Recreation Center Park House. All are encouraged to attend. The Energy Committee met in December for review and discussion with C. Bryars. Locations have been tentatively identified and mapped. It was mentioned that a petition similar to 350.org document has been circulated by L. Scordino which is asking to place pressure on State legislators regarding environmental concerns like Act 174. There was some concern on the Energy Committee's part on the wording in the petition, but J. Hand helped to revise it. N. Faesy also noted that there is a legislative proposal to enact registration for bicyclists.

Report from the Design Review Board

None

Bylaw Discussion ~ Formula Based Businesses

A. Danaher commented that the last discussion by the Board centered on form based regulation. B. Addington reminded the Board members that amending the ZBL's is a great deal of hard work and they should be very sure of the purpose of the new regulation and whether it is needed. He asked if the current DRB and ZBL regulations already protect the Town. A. Danaher suggested taking one portion at a time such as regulating signs. It was noted that the SB was supposed to be working on the sign ordinance. T. Yandow stated that Form Based Code (FBC) was different from Design Review and Formula Based Business in that it has specific dimensional requirements – size and features – and a review for FBC is clear and usually goes faster. K. Wallace suggested looking into planning grants for FBC. B. Addington was uncomfortable with determining what the Town should look like in the distance future and did not feel equipped to make these decisions. A. Danaher pointed out that K. Wallace's Form Based Regulation document was a good beginning which could be whittled down to fit their intent. It was agreed by the Board that professional help should be sought out to guide the Board and T. Yandow is to research options for professional assistance.

Other Business

1. B. Addington asked about the status of the discussion of in-filling the Villages. T. Yandow mentioned that Dorset Village anticipates having a new water source on-line in approximately eight months so the water moratorium should end. R. Gaiotti, Town Manager, is aware of the PC discussions and has been trying to prioritize tasks for the DFD #1 Prudential Committee. T. Yandow is to talk to R. Gaiotti about Town water and sewer and the Prudential Committee's outlook on PC discussions. B. Addington will talk to SB members, M. Thorn and H. Chandler.

Public Comments Taken

N. Faesy will forward a copy of the BCRC newsletter to T. Yandow.

Poll Members for Attendance at Next Month's Meeting & Confirm Date

Next PC meeting will be held on February 6, 2018. K. Wallace will not be attending.

Adjournment

D. Coss moved and A. Danaher seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Aversano

Planning Commission

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