

**Mount Holly Planning Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes**

2007 December 17
7:30 PM
Mount Holly Town Office

Members Present: Peter Smith, Greg Decker, Annette Lynch, Steve Howard,
Dennis Deiters

Others Present: Frank Bickford

1. Called to order at 7:30 pm
2. Approval of minutes from the November 19th meeting
3. Motion to alter the order of the agenda to accommodate Frank Bickford's questions. Motion affirmed.
4. The Planning Commission agreed that although Mr. Bickford needs to consult with a surveyor to change the boundary line within his property, his intention is for an internal boundary modification, not, a subdivision.

Old Business:

5. Chester Gate subdivision, not in attendance
6. Ecological Study update. With some funds from the Municipal Planning Grant, the study will be able to continue. The board agreed that for subsequent phases of the study, proposals will be sought from appropriate sources, for cost analysis.
7. Affordable Housing update. 4 possible properties of interest (Bowditch, Balestra, Dana, Mount Holly School properties. The owners are being approached, and options sought, as a preliminary to engineering studies. The Rutland County Community Land Trust is open to working with private developers for a mixed income development. The Affordable Housing Task Force received an extension of the affordable housing grant, and could apply for a feasibility grant from VHCB.
8. Town Plan. The previously warned Public Meeting regarding the adoption of our new Town Plan will be held on Thursday, January 10, 2008, at 7:00 pm in the Mount Holly School Gymnasium. A "snow" date was agreed upon for the following Saturday, January 12, at 2:00 pm at the same location. After this meeting, The Planning Commission will formally vote to accept or decline the revised document.
9. Municipal Planning Grant. A Municipal Planning Grant in the amount of \$14,995 for 2008 has been received for Mount Holly.
10. Membership in APA will be considered again at a future meeting.

New Business:

11. Planning Commission Annual Organization. Peter Smith reelected Chair, Greg Decker reelected Vice Chair, Dennis Deiters elected to continue as recording secretary, The Rutland Herald confirmed as our Newspaper of Record, Meeting times as well as our Rules of Procedure remain the same.
12. "In Town" Act 250 Hearings. The planning Commissions responsibilities and/or

choice to hold "in Town Act 250 Hearings was discussed. This issue may be revisited.

13. Building Registration Forms. None
14. Annual Report of The Planning Commission. Agreed that The Planning Commission will write a comprehensive Annual Report 2007
15. Economic Development Council. Four Community members are interested in forming a Council on Economic Development and could be appointed as a committee of the Planning Commission.

Information Items:

16. Waste Water/Potable Water applications and Permits. Scott Trevorrow: Permit Nicholas and Camille: Application
17. Silvio Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge Comprehensive Conservation Plan. (Northeast Kingdom)

Addendum: The Mylar of the Audrey and Peter Garrow subdivision (previously Approved) was signed by the members of The Planning Commission.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, seconded, 8:55pm

Respectfully Submitted by Dennis Deiters