

Planning Board Minutes
February 6, 2014

The Town of Cambridge Planning Board held its regular monthly meeting, Thursday, February 6, 2014, 7:30 PM, at the Town Hall.

Members present: Eric Pearson, Earl Horton, Jerry Moppert, Stuart Ziehm, Bob Hamilton, Judy Leon, Secretary Sally Eddy

Absent: Dan Thomas

No one from the public attended.

Chairman Pearson called the meeting to order and presided.

Minutes

Earl Horton motioned, seconded by Judy Leon, to approve the minutes of the January 2, 2014 meeting as mailed by the secretary with no additions or corrections.

Vote: 6 Ayes 0 – Noes

Communications

Secretary Sally Eddy stated she received updated information from the county on the procedure of how to file a subdivision map in Washington County. The Real Property Tax Office supplied the information.

Unfinished Business

Chairman Pearson commented he received several phone calls regarding the letter drafted by the planning board and sent to the county confirming the boundary line adjustment of the Dan Smith property. There seemed to be a lot of confusion about it. The county has since forwarded a copy to Mr. Smith's attorney and the matter appears to be settled. Secretary Eddy stated she also received calls, too. Chairman Pearson expressed his annoyance with the situation.

New Business

There were no subdivisions to address.

There was a brief discussion and exchange of comments regarding the recent meeting that took place in January at the American Legion on Route 22 with speakers from the NYS Department of State. John Pedersen acted as coordinator. Members agreed it was a good meeting, particularly in the aspect that all the surrounding towns were gathered in the same room discussing the same topic of growth and development. Hopefully, it sparked an interest in the future of developing a multi-town comprehensive plan since all the surrounding towns are similar and

those in attendance truly cared about preserving agriculture and the rural character of the area. However, getting all the towns to work together in agreement is another matter.

Members agreed that if Cambridge begins working on its own individual plan, educating the citizenry on what a comprehensive plan actually is and does is of the utmost importance. The public's involvement in all phases of developing a plan is crucial. It requires a fully committed Town Board with the voters pushing it.

Attendance

Chairman Pearson reminded members to please notify him or the secretary in advance if anyone will not be at a meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was moved and carried to adjournment at 8:05 PM by a motion by Jerry Moppert, seconded by Stuart Ziehm, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Sally Eddy, Secretary

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