

**PLANNING COMMISSION  
PRELIMINARY MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**October 13, 2009**

**6:00 p.m.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Fred Glover, Chairman  
Terry Carter

Christine Fuller

Steve Stengel

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Alan Couch

Phil Dunwoody

Norman Vanasse

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Mike Doran

Jason Rasmussen

Michelle Stinson – LPC TV

**1. Call to Order**

A. Fred Glover, Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

**2. Roll Call by Recording Secretary**

A. All members present except Alan Couch, Phil Dunwoody and Norman Vanasse

**3. Approve Minutes**

A. The minutes to be approved are from the regular meeting of September 15, 2009.

B. **MOTION by Christine Fuller and seconded by Steve Stengel to accept the minutes from September 15, 2009 as written. Motion passed unanimously.**

**4. Comments from Citizens**

**A. Okemo**

i. Mike Doran introduced himself as a representative from Okemo. He will be a resource for the board.

**B. Planning Officer**

i. Christine Fuller advised that Rose Goings has been appointed Planning Director.

ii. Fred Glover said that Rose Goings will attend future meetings. She will also coordinate with the Regional Planning Commission on behalf of this board.

**C. Streetscapes Fund Raiser**

i. Christine Fuller advised that 4 members of this board worked at the fundraiser.

ii. The board mutually agreed that Streetscapes does a lot of work for the town and village.

**5. Town Plan Updating**

**A. Water Resources**

i. Jason Rasmussen advised that he had emailed suggested changes to this section. He tried to make the information more "Ludlow Specific." He advised that he had added information

from a recently completed document, "Phase II Stream Geomorphic Assessment for the Black River Watershed."

- ii. The board agreed to read aloud from the revised document and Terry Carter made changes as discussed.
- iii. Fred Glover suggested that an explanation of Basin 10 and Basin 11 be included.
- iv. Jason Rasmussen said he would provide map inserts for that. He explained that the ANR and the Regional Planning Commission have looked at possible changes to the river channel. They do not know, at this time, what impact that will have on the river. Rivers do change over time.
- v. Terry Carter said that it does not hurt to put the information in the Town Plan.
- vi. Fred Glover advised that the board does have to be careful about how the information is presented and used. He would also like a definition of "bankfull."
- vii. Jason Rasmussen advised that if a culvert is not sized large enough, in heavy rains or run off, the culvert will not be able to carry the water and will overflow.
- viii. Fred Glover said that they should include subheadings to clarify the text and break it into sections.
- ix. Mike Doran advised that Okemo practices the most stringent storm water and erosion control techniques when constructing new buildings.
- x. There was a discussion of the town flood control dams and when they were built. Jason Rasmussen will find out when they were built and the locations. He advised that he does not know if they are allowed to be put on maps for security reasons.
- xi. The board went over the text provided by Jason Rasmussen and edited as needed.

**6. Other Business**

- A. Next Meeting will be held on November 17, 2009. The board decided to finish the Local Economy section. Future meetings will be:
  - i. December 15, 2009 – Energy
  - ii. January 19, 2010 – Land Use
  - iii. February 9, 2010 – Transportation
- B. Button Up Vermont
  - i. Christine Fuller advised that there have been public workshops, "Button Up Vermont," about how people can save energy. She said that it would have been beneficial to have one in Ludlow. She advised anyone, who has a chance, to attend one.
  - ii. Michelle Stinson advised that there was one being held tonight in Cavendish.

**7. Adjourn**

- A. **MOTION by Christine Fuller and seconded by Steve Stengel to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.**
- B. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisha Klaiber