

Present: Chairman Marlon Frink, Larry Upson, Barbara Hill, Sandy Hislop, Denis Hebert, John Frink, Chris Cross, Planner Tom Morgan.

This work session was opened at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes: Minutes of meeting held May 14, were accepted on a motion by Barbara Hill seconded by Denis Hebert.

Correspondence: Memo from Transportation Analyst ,Rockingham Planning, asking that the Board submit their suggestions for areas of Town that require traffic counts.

Notice advising that Sprague has been granted an exemption to apply for a permit from the EFSEC Committee re: oil pipeline to the new power plant.

Denis Hebert reported that the Manager of Walmart has advised that the lighting issues will be addressed and corrected. Also, Sullivan Tire have expressed a willingness to do some updating of their building.

Planning - Woodbury Avenue

Tom Morgan and Selectman Chris Cross offered a proposal to amend the Master Plan by adding a section expressly addressing Woodbury Avenue. Suggestion is to limit access onto Woodbury, maximize the present intersections and encourage internal connector roads between businesses. It was stated that Woodbury Avenue is a State Road and the State will have the ultimate jurisdiction. However, if the Town has a good, structured plan that will preserve present traffic capacity while limiting access from the anticipated increase in development, the State DOT will most likely approve.

Pedestrian traffic should be encouraged and funds are being held in escrow to construct sidewalks.

All agreed that the proposal was a good one and discussed the best method to facilitate the plan. Tom Morgan suggested another work session to discuss just this issue. He would have a plan of the roadway that could be used to note details such as lighting, landscaping and curb cuts.

Following the informal work session, the engineers could be consulted to complete the plans.

Chairman asked Tom Morgan to develop some base guidelines but agreed that he could wait until after the work session.

The work session was scheduled for June 25, at 7 pm.

Old Business:

A) Open Space Preservation - Tom Morgan stated that this program must be developed soon , that it is necessary to control development and for orderly growth as well as preserve open space. Discussed the implementation and the various options that could be offered to property owners and how either purchase of development rights, purchase of option or easements can be individually crafted.

Board discussed the various issues such as the possibility of public access, liabilities and long

term monitoring by the Conservation Commission of any parcels the Town may procure .
The Planning Commission will be consulted to assist with documenting procedures.

Tom Morgan was asked to contact other municipalities and get some ideas to implement the program - also, legal council will be needed.

Tom Morgan suggested and it was agreed to, that a meeting will be held with the Selectmen, Conservation Commission and Planning Board to collectively identify which parcels would be most beneficial to the town for preserving open space and control development. The date set is the one previously set for the Woodbury Avenue issues. However, the Board feels that the open space program should take precedent and agreed to schedule the large meeting for June 25th.
With a backup date of the 18th.

The Woodbury Ave meeting was rescheduled for July 30th.

Marlon Frink suggested that the Selectmen chair the June 25th meeting.

Following the June 25th meeting a smaller sub committee, with representatives from the three boards, should be formed - this sub committee will develop procedures and do any negotiating with property owners prior to a public hearing to hear proposed acquisition.

B) Ethics for public officials.

Chairman Frink stated that it is time that written policies for rules of conduct of any elected or appointed official should be in place as in the majority of the towns and cities. All officials should be aware of what they can do or not do and what they can say or not say in public meetings. Rules of conduct and ethics apply to all aspects of doing business, including the Right to Know laws and the issue of Conflict of Interest. Tom Morgan noted that the bottom line is to make the whole process, for public officials transparent@

Board agreed to meet on August 27th - Tom Morgan will have draft of the codes for Board's review. Copies of the draft will be given to Selectmen and Conservation Commission.

Lary Upson asked to digress from the agenda items to suggest that many times discussions digress from the agenda item and he would like to see a policy of two persons raising their hand to end the matter being discussed that is not on the agenda and get back to the matter that is on the agenda.

C) Name for the Industrial Corridor Roadway

Board discussed and made various suggestions. Chris Cross stated that the Selectmen have expressed a preference for Veterans Memorial Parkway.

Chris Cross stated that it seems premature to name the road at this time. Denis Hebert stated that the Fire Chief, for identification purposes, has requested that the road be named

In conclusion it was voted on a motion by Denis Hebert, seconded by Sandy Hislop, to name the roadway Piscataqua Drive@ Chris Cross opposed.

New Business:

Designate areas for traffic counts.

Board agreed on the following locations: The Spaulding Underpass; River Road; McIntyre Road; Nimble Hill Road. Tom Morgan will submit list to the Rockingham Planning.

Other Business:

Tom Morgan submitted a plan from Gerry Gagne showing some temporary parking areas on Patterson lane. Chairman Frink and Larry Upson stepped down and left the meeting. Denis Hebert took the chair.

Board agreed that the plan needed to be discussed at the next meeting (6/11/01) and residents of Patterson Lane will be notified.

Chris Cross stated that the Building Inspector has asked for the Planning Board's guidance on handling trailers parked on commercial properties.

On a motion by Sandy Hislop, seconded by John Frink, it was voted to advise the Building Inspector that any trailer, other than parked at a loading dock, must get site approval from the Planning Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 on a motion by John Frink, seconded by Sandy Hislop.

Pat Main
Secretary