

Present: Chairman Sandy Hislop, Barbara Hill, Robert Simms, Denis Hebert, John Frink, Chris Cross, Cosmas Iocovozzi, Peggy Lamson, Jack Pare, Planner Tom Morgan..

Minutes: Minutes of meeting held 2-10-03, were accepted on a motion by Barbara Hill, seconded by Peggy Lamson.

Correspondence:

Copy of E-Mail to Barbara Hill from Linda Wilson, Historic Resources, re barn preservation legislation and asking for local historic commissions support.

Draft of a letter, proposed by the Conservation Commission, to be signed by Chairmen of Selectmen, Planning Board and Conservation Commission and mailed to all residents explaining the proposal to purchase development rights to the Frink Farm and urging support of the voters. Chairman polled the members and majority agreed that he should sign the letter in support of Article 3.. John Frink and Chris Cross abstained.

Denis Hebert suggested that the Master Plan list those specific properties that the Board see as worth saving as open space.

Denis reported that the owner of the Asia Restaurant feels that the Industrial Road should not be accepted until his concerns about traffic safety on River Road are addressed. Denis had visited the area and does not agree that there is a problem - asked that the members also check the area.

Master Plan:

Tom Morgan reported on some of the results of the survey - advised that rate of return was 34%, distributed compilation of responses and asked Board to read through. Noted that, on the whole, the responses are positive.

Tom also advised that the responses have been entered into a computer spread sheet and a variety of categories can be separated out - asked the Board for their input on categories. Noted that the city of Portsmouth is in the process of updating their Master Plan and as the two communities share many things such as: transportation, economy and environmental issues, Tom would like to consult his counterpart in Portsmouth and possibly coordinate some elements.

Board proceeded to review the responses.

Tom advised that a new requirement to be included in the Master Plan is a section titled "Vision Statement" which should articulate the desires of the residents for the future of the Town in 10 to 20 years.

Tom reminded the Board that the Master Plan should reflect priority plans for the town's future and not to be concerned about funding at this point. Asked that the members study the reports in preparation for setting goals and objectives.

Prior to adjourning Chris Cross noted that a Public Hearing on the Exit 4, Spaulding Turnpike, changes will be held on March 5, and the DOT would like some support for their proposals. On a motion by Peggy Lamson, seconded by Denis Hebert, it was voted to send a letter of support for the plans. John Frink is opposed as he is concerned about the truck traffic.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Pat Main
Secretary.