

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

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: The minutes of August 12, were amended to show that John Frink arrived late (8:10) after the Public Hearings were closed. Minutes as amended were accepted on a motion by Denis Hebert, seconded by Peggy Lamson.

Correspondence: Tom Morgan distributed samples of a “Citizens Survey” copy of section of the book “Cross-Grained & Wiley Waters” and a list of proposed questions from Jack Pare all pertinent to this evenings business.

Chairman Hislop stated that the purpose of this work meeting was to discuss the update of the Town Master Plan and review the survey that will be mailed to all town residents for input.

Prior to commencing Selectman Chairman Jack O’Reilly swore in Jack Pare as alternate for a term of three years.

Board proceeded to review the 1984 survey to determine what additions or subtractions should be made prior to mailing this year.

Tom Morgan suggested that the nature of the questions be kept the same for easier comparison with previous survey.

In addition to some minor changes by breaking some questions into two parts and deleting some data no longer relevant, the following questions will be added:

Question re: natural gas line in residential zone; need for bike paths; additional detail on recreational needs; need to control aircraft and traffic noise; update of population stats; need to provide elderly housing and therefore possibly allow the younger generation to remain residents.

Tom Morgan noted that any changes to zoning arising from the update of Master Plan will have resident input through Public Hearings and the Town Meeting Warrant.

The updated survey will have an section of optional questions regarding length of time family has resided in Town; what age group the respondent falls in; how far respondent travels to work; and a general area of Town respondent lives. Noted that all surveys will be anonymous.

Discussed method of collecting surveys and all agreed that it will be worth the cost of enclosing

a stamped self addressed envelope for a greater return.

Tom Morgan agreed to make a draft of the questionnaire for the Boards review at the September 9 meeting. Also, advised that he is still researching companies that will assist in the update.

Tom passed on a message from Building Inspector that the present Building Codes are about to expire and the Board should adopt the International BOCA Codes before September 14th. Tom will check details and report at the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 on a motion by Peggy Lamson, seconded by Barbara Hill.

Pat Main
Secretary.