

## **Planning Board**

## **Minutes**

**December 15, 2008**

**Planning board Members Present:** Denis Hebert, Michael Marconi, Jack Pare, Tom Bobotas, Cliff Abbott, Chris Cross (6:33 pm)

**Also Present:** Town Planner Tom Morgan

**Commencement:** Chairman Hebert opened the meeting at 6:33 pm

### **Minutes of December 15, 2008**

Chairman Hebert noted two corrections on page 1 in the last paragraph noting the stipulations on the Westinghouse application.

Stipulation #1, replace the word “must” with “shall”

Stipulation #2, replace the word “must” with “shall”

**Marconi moved to approve the minutes of December 15, 2008, Pare seconded, all in favor – motion carried.**

### **Zoning Amendment: Small Wind Energy Systems**

The board reviewed draft #2 of the amendment and made the following changes:

#### **Page 1**

##### **Section 2**

Paragraph A, first sentence - replace the word all with “non residential”

Paragraph B, last sentence - replace “Met” with “Meteorological Tower”

#### **Page 3**

##### **Section 3**

Paragraph C – replace “Sound Level” with “Noise Level”. Also add language from page 21 or the ordinances regarding noise.

#### **Page 4**

##### **Section 3**

Paragraph H i) in the last sentence, delete “except when financial costs are prohibitive”

Paragraph H ii). Delete the last sentence “approved colors.....white or gray”

**Page 6**

Definitions – add language that a Met Tower is a temporary information gathering tower.

The final draft will be reviewed by Peter Loughlin.

The board is waiting for Atty Loughlin's opinion regarding Small Wind Systems in the residential district.

This item will be continued to the next meeting on January 12, 2009.

**Design Review Guidelines**

The board reviewed draft #1 and made the following changes:

A purpose clause should be added which states that the Design Review Guidelines are to be used by the applicant and the board in consideration for site review.

**Page 2**

Remove Section 5 – Clustering

**Page 4**

Section 5 – Non Plant Materials – remove “such as gravel, bark, or”

**Marconi made a motion to send the Design Review Guidelines to public hearing on January 12, 2009, Pare seconded, all in favor – motion carried.**

**Traffic in the Residential District**

Discussion of increased traffic and non compliance with speed limits by people cutting through the town of Newington to get to the turnpike.

Cross presented some potential ideas on how to reroute traffic which would diminish the appeal of cutting through Newington.

Discussion of increased enforcement of speed limits. The board will contact the chief of police to discuss.

This matter will be continued to the next work session.

**Other Business:**

Chairman Hebert and the board thanked the secretary for a job well done and presented her with a gift.

**Marconi made a motion to adjourn, Abbott seconded, all in favor – motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Melia Michaud  
Recording Secretary