

Approved As Written 2-15-12
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
January 18, 2012
7:30 PM
Jamestown Town Hall
93 Narragansett Ave.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. and the following members were present:

Michael Swistak – Chair	Duncan Pendlebury – Vice Chair
Rosemary Enright	Michael Jacquard
Richard Lynn	Michael Smith

Also present:

Lisa Bryer, AICP – Town Planner
Cinthia Reppe – Planning Assistant

I. Approval of Minutes January 4, 2012

A motion was made by Commissioner Pendlebury and seconded by Commissioner Enright to accept the minutes as written. So unanimously voted.

II. Correspondence

1. FYI – Final Approval Letter to Bridges - Received
2. FYI – Administrative Review – Scartabello, A.C.S. Builders - Received

III. Citizen's Non Agenda Item – nothing at this time

IV. Reports

1. Town Planner's Report – The Town Council awarded bid for the North Road Bike Path and looking at wetland permitting. They hired Pare Corporation. They also awarded the bid for the construction of the Fort Getty Pavilion.
2. Chairpersons report
3. Town Committees
 - a. Harbor
 - b. Buildings and Facilities – met tonight discussed program and storage needs for Rec Dept.
 - c. Affordable Housing Committee
 - d. North Rd. Bike Path Committee
4. Sub Committees

Tree Committee – Commissioner Lynn said there will be a public meeting on Feb 21st, 2012 at 6:45 p.m. to discuss the procedure of which trees they will be taking down. They also had to take a few more trees down on Narragansett Ave.

V. Old Business

1. Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan

a. Circulation – Action Plan

Town Planner Lisa Bryer went over the changes and statuses. Commissioner Smith questioned what the statement to retain roads with rural character meant. The Town Planner noted that the pre-amble of the Comprehensive Plan discusses rural character very specifically with respect to roads. It may relate to width, surface type, surrounding vegetation, signage etc. Also stone walls on both sides Commissioner Smith said, is what he feels the rural character of the roads is about.

Discussion ensued about trimming shrubs along roads so they do not encroach. Sav Rebecchi said Island Rubbish could not get down at end of his street because a tree had grown so low and the people called town and complained and DPW went out there to do it and another neighbor had complained.

b. Public Services and Facilities – Action Plan

Town Planner Lisa Bryer will add something about wind turbines and sustainability measures to this section as a new policy.

VI. New Business – nothing at this time

A motion to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. was made by Commissioner Enright and seconded by Commissioner Smith. So unanimously voted.

Attest:



Cinthia L Reppe

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