

MINUTES

Planning Commission Meeting 05/11/2015

Present Committee Members: Kelly Emerson, Julie Oliver, Carrie Peters, Rane Curtis

Guests

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm

Carrie made motion to accept minutes from previous meeting, Kelly seconded-passed with all in favor.

New Business

Julie will reach out to Peter Lyons about possible training in the summer for the group. Carrie researched that Groton and Ryegate are the towns that pay for the recycling center. Act 148 will be effective July 1, 2015 which mandates residents of the state to recycle. Carrie talked with Kitty who is a lister for the town and we can use the current book to update the property values in the Town Plan book.

Kelly reached out to Matthew Langlois and was advised that we should speak with Craig Whipple (Director of State Parks) to find out about the reduced entrance fees for the Groton State Forest. He can be reached at 802-343-5318.

Kelly researched best management practice and found out that it is a program out of VA Tech for timber harvesting. It is a logger education program. She found this information on the VT Dept of Parks and Recreation website.

We will need to further review the Recommendations on page 12.

We need to add 2 elements to the Town Plan on page 2. The additions must include economic development and flood resiliency.

Past Business

Notes/Topics of Ongoing Interest/Moving Forward

September=Grant Application for Planning Commission due & Rough Draft completion goal

Next Meeting & Agenda Items

*Date 06/22/2015 Time 6:30 pm Location Groton Library

*Approval of Minutes from 05/11/2015 meeting

*We will be editing pages 1-13

*Meeting Adjourned at 8:08 pm

The minutes are in draft format and are unofficial until formally approved by the committee at a subsequent meeting.