

MINUTES

Planning Commission Meeting 07/13/15

Present:

Committee: Carrie Peters, Julie Oliver, Rane Curtis, Kelly Emerson, Nancy Vaughan

Guests: Harry Chandler

Meeting called to order at; 6:00pm

New Business

Harry shared ideas for use of 2 different sections of town owned land to benefit the town and support timber management. A 67 Acre area off Welton Road as a "Forest of the Town" where selective harvesting of timber could create some income which could go back into the land to create trails and benches in a more central location and to make good use of the property. Discussed keeping some of the land separated for stump dump and or gravel pit as currently used for. The other area is the "Boy Scout Land" on Groton Pond. The idea was the same for the timber harvesting and that the money go to fix up the camp to get it useable to rent to create income for the town.

Reviewed the *Transportation* section of the plan (pages 14-20) and made adjustments/updates which will be incorporated into the draft of the plan. There were very few changes in this section. Brent Smith reviewed plan and gave input on updates as well.

Next Steps are for all members to read through and come prepared to discuss and go over the *Facilities and Utilities* section for creating the draft of that section.

It was brought to attention that next on our task list will be the zoning bi-laws to review and make adjustments if necessary to. We are certainly learning as we go of what this committee entails☺ Any ideas and supports are welcome from fellow towns men and women.

Past Business

Notes/Topics of Ongoing Interest/Moving Forward

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

Per request from Groton towns person☺, It was discussed to work on getting the *Red Cross Swim Lessons* program back at Groton Lake. Group will check with the Rec. Comm. to see about joint efforts in that for next summer☺

Next Meeting & Agenda Items

- *Date: 7/27/15 Time:6:30pm Location: Groton Library
- *Approval of Minutes from past meeting
- *Review and Discuss *Facilities and Utilities* Section for draft
- *Go over email set up for group (Ranee☺)
- *Organize To Do's for next meeting
- *Meeting Adjourned at 8:20pm