

**Town of Richmond
Planning Board Public Hearing**

May 27, 2014

7:30 PM

Richmond Veterans Hall

Members Present:

Richard Drew, Chairman
Wes Vaughan,
Butch Morin, Alternate
Carol Jameson, Selectman Rep.

Members Absent:

Lloyd Condon, Secretary
Deb Duffy, Vice Chairman
Jon Pratt
Norma Thibodeau

Public: Peter Majoy, John Boccalini, Jean Tandy

1. Public:

Nothing from Public.

2. Mail:

Southwest Region Planning Commission April 2014 Newsletter.

Invitation to Southwest Region Planning Commission Annual Meeting. Butch Morin (Representative for Planning Board) will attend the Annual meeting June 17, 2014 at the Keene State College Mountainview Room, Young Student Center.

4. Master Plan: (Update on VEC)

Peter Majoy, John Boccalini and Jean Tandy representing the Volunteer Energy Committee addressed updates to the Master Plan as requested by the Planning Board. Further information attached is the minutes from the VEC May 19, 2014 meeting.

2010 Master Plan, Under Section II Energy: page 18:

Town Committee Contact	Suggestion to add to Master Plan (P/B)	Suggestion from VEC
Various Committee's	Town Vehicle's fuel consumption	Immediately address the issue by reducing idling both personal and town vehicles. Participate in a ride share program.
Volunteer Energy Committee (VEC)	Is Solar and Option for Municipal buildings?	Solar option for Municipal buildings, buying solar panels and consider solar array. Contact Mass Community Solar, Malanson and Son's or Monadnock Energy Resource to speak in Richmond.

THESE MINUTES MAY BE APPROVED AND/OR AMENDED AT THE FOLLOWING MEETING

	Continue to upgrade heating, cooling and electrical systems.	Consider a smaller more efficient H2O water heater for Municipal buildings.
VEC	Town Recycling Center.	More conversation and planning are needed. Maybe start with just recycling. Committee felt Winchester was fine for now.
VEC	Compile Energy packet for hand out with building permits.	State of NH has a pamphlet that can be used on their website: www.nhsaves

Brief discussion on the need for a combined yearly meeting which seemed very beneficial to all Boards, Committees' and Commissions. The Selectmen arranged the last combined meeting and it would be worth while asking for another one.

3. Minutes April 22, 2014:

Page 1, Under Members Present. Change Lloyd Condon from Vice Chairman to **Secretary**, Deb Duffy from Secretary to **Vice Chairman**, Richard Drew to **Chairman** and remove Alternate from Wes Vaughan and list Wes Vaughan under present.

Page 3, Under 9.Zoning Ordinances page 13, first sentence change handed to **hundred**.

Motion made by Chairman Richard Drew to accept the minutes as amended. Seconded by Wes Vaughan. Three in favor. None opposed. One abstention. Motion carries.

5. Lot Merger: Map 410 Lots 49 and 50:

Letter from Attorney Bentley requesting a Voluntary Lot Merger for Map 410 Lots 49 and 50. Richmond Planning Board did not act on the request for lack of information. Lot 49 was owned by both parties and Lot 50 was owned by only one party. Both parcels must be in both names to request a lot merger. The Land Use Assistant returned the request and check along with the Town of Richmond Voluntary Lot Merger application to Attorney Bentley on May 7, 2014. No further information has been requested of the Planning Board.

6. Excavation Regulations:

The Board looked over an Excavation Application and Reclamation Plan Checklist which were approved by the Planning Board on November 8, 2006. Both applications are small and bunched together. Kim Mattson will scan them and send them to Wes Vaughan who will try and put them in a file that can be manipulated.

7. Visionary Process for 4-Corners: June 21, 2014 @ Veterans Hall 9:00-12:00:

Chairman Drew described briefly the status of the 4-Corners. Between Grants and funding the fuel tank and contaminated soil can be removed. This would help to create a more marketable piece of property. The goal is to help bring our store back as this is an icon and it's absence is noticed. The Visionary process will encompass a circle around the 4-corners to help with planning in the future. Chairman Drew urged all members to attend and asked that they encourage other residents to attend.

8. Other:

a. FEMA discussion:

July 10, 2012 Planning Board minutes indicate that the Planning Board received information on the National Flood Insurance Program and discussed what it might mean for residents living in a flood plain. After much discussion in the July 10, 2012 meeting the Planning Board requested a complete set of maps and overlay of the areas to be affected. This would allow the Board to research which land owners would be involved and to contact those residents and invite them to an informational meeting and listen to their opinion. The Selectmen were going to purchase the maps.

August 7, 2012 Planning Board minutes it was discussed that this matter was still in the Selectman's hands and the need to purchase a set of maps was priority.

September 18, 2012 Planning Board minutes the Selectmen announced a meeting with National Flood Insurance Program State Coordinator for October 18, 2012 and the Planning Board were invited to attend. After reviewing the maps presented by The State Coordinator the Planning Board requested that the Selectmen purchase a full set of maps and the Planning Board would contact the land owners, arrange a meeting with them and ask the land owners their opinion.

Motion made by Wes Vaughan to recommend that the Board of Selectmen look into being a part of FEMA, acquire the necessary maps and overlay and the ramifications of this agreement. Seconded by Butch Morin. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.

Motion made by Wes Vaughan to adjourn. Seconded by Carol Jamenson. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kandace Mattson

Attachments:

1. Voluntary Energy Committee minutes from May 19, 2014.