

**PLANNING BOARD
27 School Street
HILLSBOROUGH, NH
March 2, 2016**

DATE APPROVED: March 16, 2016

TIME: 7:00 p.m. – 7:40 p.m.

CHAIRMAN: Herman Wiegelman

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN: Donald Solomon

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN: Denise DeForest

MEMBERS: Gary Sparks, John Penny and Larry Baker

EX-OFFICIO: James C. Bailey, III

PLANNING DIRECTOR: Robyn Payson

ALTERNATES PRESENT:

EXCUSED: Larry Baker

MEMBERS of the PUBLIC: Ann Poole and John Segedy

CALL to ORDER:

Chairman Wiegelman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES:

Chairman Wiegelman entertained a motion to accept the minutes of February 17, 2016.

Mr. Sparks commented that the minutes should reflect that the existing hydro building owned by Eversource on Sawmill Road, according to the conceptual plans, was not being abandoned. Mr. Sparks made a motion to approve the minutes of February 17, 2016 as amended. Mrs. DeForest seconded the motion. The Board voted all in favor except for Mr. Bailey who abstained.

PUBLIC MEETING:

Master Plan Update:

Chairman Wiegelman said the Board had received, from Mr. Baker, an update to the Master Plan earlier today.

Mr. Solomon said either he didn't understand how a master plan is created or implemented or they have been lead in a totally wrong direction. He thought they needed an accurate listing of where the town is now and then everything else is an outline of the direction it wishes to move. It should not contain minuet details of how it should be done.

Mrs. Payson said the master plan should contain suggestions for the town to consider going forward.

Mr. Solomon feels the master plan being developed is trying to include too much detail rather than general concepts.

Chairman Wiegelman asked that the comments made tonight be passed on to Mr. Baker as the chair.

Chairman Wiegelman said Mr. Baker has expressed to him that if he is elected to the Board of Selectmen, he will be relinquishing his position as chairman of the Master Plan Committee.

Mr. Solomon said he would be willing to take Mr. Baker's place.

Mrs. Payson offered to send the current draft copy of the Master Plan chapters to the Board members for their initial review.

Chairman Wiegelman asked if the public had any comments on the Master Plan.

Mr. Segedy said it is not only the committee which drives the speed in which the project is being done but also the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission.

Ms. Poole said the master plan is a guidance document which needs to be significantly detailed in order to be defensible. She added it is a legal document which provides the town with a vision of where it is going and takes precedence over everything else the town does.

Mr. Solomon said the master plan is the bases for the development of zoning ordinances and site plans. He said it should include guidance such as saying the speed in residential areas should be lower but it doesn't need to include the specific remedy, such as installing speed bumps every three hundred feet.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Chairman Wiegelman asked if there was any other business to come before the Board.

Ms. Poole wanted to make the Board aware of a company called Corvus, who met recently with the Town of Bradford Planning Board, regarding the purchase of the Naomi Payne property, which abuts Hillsborough at the end of County Road. She said the entire parcel includes approximately 1,400 acres divided between the Towns of Bradford and Hillsborough. She added that Corvus' intent is to develop a civilian tactical weapons training facility in that location. She said the meeting was not a formal meeting and an application was not submitted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Wiegelman entertained a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Sparks made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. DeForest seconded the motion. The Board voted all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Iris Campbell
Recording Secretary