

CONWAY PLANNING BOARD

MINUTES/WORK SESSION

JUNE 1, 2000

A meeting of the Conway Planning Board was held on Thursday, June 1, 2000, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Conway Town Office in Center Conway, NH. Those present were: Chair, Sheila Duane; Selectmen's Representative, Gary Webster; Vice Chair, Stacy Sand; Robert deFeyter; John Waterman; Conrad Briggs; Alternate, Martin Frank; Planning Director, Thomas Irving; Planning Intern, John Cook; and Recording Secretary, Holly Meserve.

MASTER PLAN WORK SESSION

Mr. Irving reviewed the attached draft time frame for the Master Plan Chapters. Mr. Irving discussed the possibility of hiring a consultant for some areas of the Master Plan. Mr. deFeyter stated that it appears Mr. Irving has changed his direction a bit in regard to a consultant. Mr. deFeyter asked what do you think the Town will think. Mr. Webster stated that we will need to do our homework and get the information out. Mr. Webster stated that it will be a hard sell, but not impossible. Ms. Sand stated that we will need to provide the information. Mr. deFeyter asked what is plan B. Mr. Irving answered it will be done in-house.

Mr. Frank asked about grant funding. Mr. Irving stated that we will look into everything we can. Mr. Webster stated that the Planning Board should keep the Board of Selectmen informed about any grants. Mr. deFeyter stated under the RSA the Planning Board can accept grant money. Mr. Irving stated that any applications he prepares will go through the Town Manager. Mr. deFeyter referred to RSA 673:16. Mr. Frank stated that we need to develop a plan to promote this when the time is right.

Mr. Irving reviewed the attached public participation handout. Mr. Irving stated that 140 people responded to the participation form. Mr. Irving stated that we need to keep these people active. Mr. Irving asked what is the Board's position about going ahead. Ms. Sand stated that she thinks we should move forward. Mr. Irving stated that we should find out from the people who are interested in participating what is their time commitment over the next three years; what is their involvement; and what are their special areas of interest. Mr. deFeyter asked if we need to be specific on what they need to do. Mr. Irving answered in the affirmative and stated that we would find out what they are interested in.

Mr. deFeyter asked what if there is a conflict of interest or a particular interest in something. Mr. deFeyter stated that we need to make sure there is a balance. Mr. Irving stated that that is where the Board determines who is on the Committee. Mr. deFeyter stated that we are asking for interest, but not necessarily going to be on the committee. Mr. Irving stated that that is a good way to go about it. Mr. Irving stated that we need a balanced committee with expertise and perspective. Mr. Irving stated that he will be drafting a letter with the following items:

- participation committee
- expertise/interest
- availability
- filling out the form does not guarantee participation

Mr. Irving reviewed the attached technical report. Mr. deFeyter stated that the Board had previously given the former Town Planner direction to determine what there is for parking spaces in the village. After a brief discussion, it was determined that this would be completed as part of the land use chapter.

NEXT WORK SESSION

The next work session will be Thursday, July 20, 2000 for ordinance issues.

STORAGE TRAILERS

The Board reviewed the issue on storage trailers that was discussed at the May 30, 2000 Board of Selectmen meeting [the Board of Selectmen minutes will be forwarded to the Planning Board].

PLANNING BOARD PACKAGES FOR JUNE 8, 2000 MEETING

The Planning Board packages for the June 8, 2000 meeting were distributed. Arthur Bergmann's package will be mailed on Friday, June 2, 2000.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly L. Meserve
Recording Secretary