

HINESBURG CONSERVATION COMMISSION

*Rob Farley, Dave Hirth, Melissa Levy,
Bill Marks, Nancy Plunkett, Gerry Livingston (Chair)*

MINUTES February 12, 2007

The meeting was brought to order at 7:10 PM.

Present: Dave Hirth, Melissa Levy, Bill Marks, Gerry Livingston, Nancy Plunkett

Absent: Rob Farley

Old Business

Greenspace and Cultural Resources Plan

Gerry reported his discussion with Jean Isham regarding the plan, the Planning Commission's expectations, and the realities of the scope of change we should plan for and expect.

It was agreed we should communicate regularly with the PC throughout the preparation of the plan. Our first presentation is tentatively scheduled for early to mid-April and will focus on the current inventory of the Town's resources.

Further discussion focused on the organization and tone of the plan. The following decisions were tentatively agreed upon, noting that several draft iterations are anticipated:

Title: Greenspace and Cultural Resources Plan

Audience: It was noted the public is the primary audience and that public feedback should be sought as soon as the draft plan has been reviewed by the PC.

ACTION:

Writing/editing assignments were assigned each of the Commission members. Nancy and Melissa agreed to wordsmith the introduction section drafted this past November, and to propose a reorganization that groups information by objective. Bill agreed to review/edit the former "Community Setting" section as needed, as well as former sections 5.4 and 6.2 (Ridgeline protection) and 8.6 (Trails system). Dave agreed to review former section 5.3 (Wildlife). Rob and Gerry will continue to work on the ground and surface water sections respectively.

New Business

Discussion was initiated regarding proposed developments on Texas Hill (Fritz; Rob – lead) and 116/North Rd. (O'Brian; Bill – lead). Discussion is to be continued at our next scheduled meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:15 PM

NEXT MEETING: Monday, February 26, 2007, 7-9PM, Town Hall