

TOWN OF JAFFREY, NH
PLANNING BOARD
Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2018

Present: Chairman Gordon (arrived at 6:07), Members, Devlin, McKenzie, Alternate Member Sherman, Selectmen's Representative Weimann

Absent: Member Despres, Farmer and Merrell

Staff: JoAnne Carr, Director of Planning and Economic Development

PRELIMINARY CONCEPTUAL - No Action

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Devlin called the public hearing to order at 6:02 pm.

MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

On a motion by McKenzie, seconded by Sherman the minutes of the June 12, 2018 meeting were approved as submitted. (4-0)

PUBLIC HEARING – ACCEPTANCE – No Action

PUBLIC HEARING – NEW– No Action

PUBLIC HEARING – CONTINUED - No Action

OTHER BUSINESS

Master Plan Update – Jo Anne Carr

Ms. Carr met with Lisa Murphy to go over changes to the Regional Context chapter. Ms. Carr asked Lisa to provide more general information on the Southwest Region with a focus on the three-town network of Jaffrey, Rindge and Peterborough. The Board suggested further edits for the chapter.

Capital Improvement – Jo Anne Carr

The next meeting is Aug 21, a draft will be provided in advance of the meeting. The PB should look closely at the building infrastructure. What are the priorities in terms of town buildings and grounds.

Zoning – Jo Anne Carr

A number of updates need to be done. In particular, Ms. Carr would like to review the Mountain Zone, which was adopted in 2006. Current zoning has conflicts in uses that should be resolved. Currently only single-family homes are allowed. Feedback is that we are too restrictive for housing development in the Mountain Zone. Consider what other uses might be allowed. Think about creating housing that fits within the context of the land. Chairman Gordon would like to see tourism encouraged in the Mountain Zone. Member MacKenzie suggests that zoning address Airbnbs as well.

Downtown – Chairman Gordon

Chairman Gordon urges the PB to develop a plan for the re-vitalization of downtown once the round-about project has been completed. He suggests a welcoming area be created to encourage people to stop in Jaffrey to shop or access the Rail Trail. Member McKenzie feels the idea should come from the Select Board. Member Sherman we should consider what kind of business we want downtown and how to attract them. Ms. Carr noted that funds could be used from the downtown TIF for the project.

ZBA – No meeting in August

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm

Submitted:



Rebecca Newton
Recording Secretary

Attest:



Tim Gordon
Chairman, Jaffrey Planning Board