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January 26 , 2005 Mason Planning Board

In attendance: Mark McDonald (chair), Joe McGuire (alternate), Dotsie Millbrandt, Chris Guiry (ex-o), Pam Lassen, Linda Cotter-Cranston (alternate), Bruce Mann

Absent: Meredith Cooper (SWRPC)

Call to order: 7:45 pm

Next Meetings: Regular hearing - February 23, 2005.

Old Business: Approved minutes for January 5, 2005.
Minutes for January 12: The minutes contain no information on the vote on the board's approval or disapproval of the petitioned zoning amendment on back lots. The planning board member who took the minutes did not think there was vote was taken, though there was extensive discussion. The board votes to correct the minutes, as best as recalled by the members present who remembered it. Approved minutes for January 12, 2005, as corrected.

New Business:

Public Hearings: Voting members tonight: Mark, Dotsie, Chris, Pam, Bruce

Proposed Zoning Amendments

Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance

SWRPC has provided a summary statement for the Town Ballot. Charlie Moser asks whether there is a bonding requirement in this new version of the telecommunications ordinance. Chris Guiry says it is, and that from time to time the bond amount will be reviewed to ensure that it covers the costs of remediation current at that time. Dick Wilborg says he read the ordinance and thinks it is a good proposal, well thought out. Darryl Wagoner asks how this ordinance would affect ham radio towers that are also used to relay internet communications. Discussion ensues about how the ordinance would apply.

Mark makes a motion to approve the telecommunication facilities ordinance. Chris seconds. Voting in the affirmative: Chris, Pam, Mark, Dotsie. Abstaining: Bruce.

Wetland Amendment

The January 12 meeting occurred during a snow storm, and some interested townspeople were unable to attend. Charlie Moses, a member of the Mason ZBA, send proposed changes to Mark, who forwarded them to SWRPC. The changes give the ZBA the authority to verify the delineation of a wetland, in addition to the Planning Board. Charlie explains that the ZBA may hear proposals that never go before the planning board. Meredith edited the changes into the ordinance amendment. The changed text reads: "In the event that the Planning Board or the Zoning Board of Adjustment disputes the delineation of an area...the Planning Board or the Zoning Board of Adjustment may, at the expense of the applicant...".

Charlie and the Planning Board also want to move the last sentence of Article XVI Subsection B.3 to the end of Article XVI Subsection B.2. This is clearer.

Chris makes a motion to move the sentence as just described. Pam seconds. Voting in the affirmative: Chris, Pam, Mark, Dotsie, Bruce.

Chris makes a motion to approve the wetlands amendment. Pam seconds. Voting in the affirmative: Chris, Pam, Mark, Dotsie, Bruce.

Master Plan Discussion

Discussion about survey questions. Nothing resolved.

Adjourn: Mark makes motion to adjourn at 9:45. Seconded. Approved