

Notes on Meeting of the Board of Selectmen and Robert Panton of the SWRPC relative to services available to the Planning Board.

Present: Rachel Reinstein, Edwin Rowehl, Robert Panton and Barbara Elia, Secretary for the Planning Board.

The Seletmen and Panton discussed the timetable for the process of putting the Amended Zoning Ordinance before the voters. Panton said that he would review the changed and make recomendations if he finds any inconsistencies. They discussed a wetland and steep slope overlay ordinance in word form. They also discussed the fact that the main concerns of the public at the public hearings were the proposed Rural Conservation District and the Lakeside District and to date the Board has not directed any discussion toward these concerns. Panton pointed out that the Ordinance should be ready in its final form by October 1 if a warrant is to be posted for the November general election.

Panton also discussed the ways in which the SWRPC can be of assistance to the Board. He suggested that a member of the Commission could attend one meeting a month to provide advice as might be needed. As the Commission reviews plans it can inform the Board of the hours spent on these reviews and this cost can be passed on to the Developer. Panton could make himself available to meet with potential developers to advise them of possibilities under the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations and also help in ~~REGULATING~~ application procedures. Perhaps a press release could be given to local papers to inform the public of this service if the Board wishes to use it. The Commission could also assist the Zoning Officer and hold workshops and meetings to work on specific areas of interest to the Board.

Panton also pointed out the importance of firming up work on the Capital Improvement Plan, Site Plan Review and Master Plan Update as provided for in the 1988 Town Meeting. He asked for a meeting with Town Department heads by late August or early September in order that they might fill out the forms for work planned and equipment to be replaced. This meeting should include the Water and Sewer Department, Road Agent, Parks and Recreation, Fire Department, Police Department, and the Conservation Commission.

The question of recouping the costs of developing. Panton said that developers are aware that this is an expense incurred when developing and that the Board needs to establish Application fees possibly on a per lot basis. The Board could have a statement on the Application acknowledging that Applicant will be responsible for the costs incurred. Panton stated that he would give the Board a written report on every application he reviews and that the Commission will be available for technical assistance and for phone consultations.

Barbara Elia, Planning Board Secretary
Meeting held July 26, 1988 at 10:00 A.M.