BOLTON MASTER PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

January 10, 2005 at 7:30 P.M

Present: Margaret Campbell, Stephen Garner, Dick Heaton, Russ Karlstad, Brad Reed, Mickie Simpson, Chris Slade (9:15pm), Ken Swanton, Nat Tipton (Town Planner)

7:30 Short Items

Historical Commission Request

Tipton explained that Martha Remington of the Bolton Historical Commission has requested a meeting with the Master Plan Committee to apprise the Committee of the Commission's Historical Preservation Plan. Karlstad recommended having the Commission update their five-year action plan, and having the Commission identify three important issues that the Master Planning Committee should take into account. The Committee agreed to have the Historical Commission come to the February 7th meeting.

Committee Chair

Tipton asked if the Committee has nominated a chair. The Committee agreed the Chair should help bring the group towards consensus, play a large role (though not exclusive) in presenting the work of the committee to the public, and be active in outreach activities to other boards/committees and residents. One option of having Stephen Garner and Dick Heaton as cochairs was discussed. The Board decided to discuss the issue further at a future meeting.

8:00 Develop Questions for Daylor

The Committee expanded on a preliminary list created by Ken Swanton of the major questions that the Master Plan should address. The questions were centered around seven areas: Town Buildings, Open Space, Housing, Population, Businesses, Town Center, and Taxes. Additions to the list included should the town consider passing the Community Preservation Act, what design guidelines would improve the aesthetics of new development in town, and whether the town is interested in developing public water and/or sewer in the Town Center.

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