



**MINUTES OF REGULAR PLANNING BOARD MEETING**  
**December 11, 2014**  
**Planning Board's Meeting Room #315**  
**Town Office Building, 400 Slocum Road, Dartmouth, MA**

**Planning Board**

Mr. Joel Avila, Chairman  
Mr. Joseph Toomey, Vice Chairman  
Mrs. Lorri-Ann Miller, Clerk  
Mr. John V. Sousa  
Mr. Kevin A. Melo

**Planning Staff**

Mr. Donald A. Perry, Planning Director  
Ms. Jane Kirby, Planning Aide

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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., with all Planning Board members and Planning Staff present.

**Appointment**

- (1) **7:00 P.M. Lynn Medeiros, Town Clerk**  
RE: Updating Zoning Bylaws

The Town Clerk was invited by the Planning Board to discuss maintaining accurate zoning bylaws. In particular, the Board was interested in developing a process to keep the zoning bylaws updated.

The Town Clerk recommended hiring a private company to keep the bylaws updated, and is seeking the support of Town Boards and Offices in an effort to obtain funding for outsourcing this function through the Finance Committee. Specifically, the Town Clerk is looking at "General Code".

Discussion ensued regarding the current bylaw updating process, how the current process could be improved, and the total cost of outsourcing.

The Board suggested that bylaws passed at Town Meeting that haven't received the Attorney General's approval could be added to the Town's website with a "pending" link since it is a four month approval process.

The Board thanked the Town Clerk for attending this meeting.



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**(2) Discussion: Preliminary Screening Committee and Planning Board Recommendations regarding Town Planner Position**

The Screening Committee consisted of two Planning Board members and one Select Board member. The current Planning Director and the Town Administrator were part of the process, but were not voting members.

The Screening Committee narrowed the candidates down to two finalists.

A motion was made by John Sousa to accept the recommendation of the Preliminary Screening Committee, which was duly seconded by Lorri-Ann Miller, and unanimously voted (5-0).

**(3) Discussion: Route 6 Low Impact Development (LID) Study**

The Planning Board will be meeting with the Select Board on December 15, 2014 to listen to a presentation by Grant King and Bill Napolitano from SRPEDD regarding the Route 6 Development study. The Planning Director thought the Board should discuss this topic prior to the joint meeting.

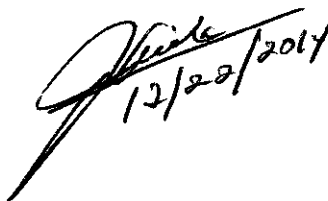
Lengthy discussion ensued. The Planning Director suggested that since the Planning Board is currently working on a Site Plan Review Bylaw, the Board could also consider some of the LID features from this development study as part of the process.

The Board reaffirmed the position that increasing development density in the target areas of the SRPEDD study would have a negative impact on the traffic in these locations and potentially threaten the Town's protected aquifer.

Concluding discussion, Chairman Avila called for a motion to adjourn.

A motion was made by John Sousa, duly seconded by Lorri-Ann Miller, and unanimously voted (5-0) to adjourn this evening's regular meeting at 7:55 p.m.

The next Planning Board meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2014, in Room #315, Town Office Building, 400 Slocum Road.

  
12/22/2014

Respectfully submitted,  
Jane Kirby  
Planning Aide