

Lyme Planning Board Minutes
June/27/2013
Master Plan Chapter 1 Public Hearing

Board Members and Staff Present: John Stadler, Chair; Jack Elliott, Vice Chair; C Jay Smith, Select Board Representative; Vicki Smith, Member; Tim Cook, Member; David Robbins, Planning and Zoning Administrator

Board Members Absent: Freda Swan, Alternate; Ben Kilham, Alternate; Sam Greene, Alternate;

Members of the Public Present: Aaron Rich, Liz Ryan Cole, Stephen Doig Marion Cass, Michael Whitman, Chris Jackson, Kathy Waste, Bill Waste, Geoffrey Little.

At 7:05 pm John opened the Public hearing for Chapter 1 of the Lyme Master Plan.

The Board members introduced themselves to the members of the public.

John gave a short introduction to the changes that were addresses in this revision of Chapter 1.

The Board had an open discussion with the members of the public about the changes that were made to Chapter 1.

The major topics of discussion were:

Changes to the Vision Statement in Chapter 1.

The master is a guide for the Planning Board to recommend changes to the Zoning Ordinance, but it is up to the residents to adopt the changes through a vote at Town meeting.

Less reliance of the Community attitude study and more emphasis placed on the information gathered at the Planning Board and Lyme Foundation forums.

The Master Plan is a living document, which should have its sections updated as the needs of the Town change, not in its entirety on a set schedule.

New attitude surveys should be used for updates but kept to a limited subject.

After discussions were complete John closed the Public Hearing at 8:56 pm, and opened the Planning Board meeting.

Two members of the public expressed interest in serving as alternate members to the Planning Board, John Asked the Planning and Zoning Administrator to follow up with them.

The Board decided to not call a vote to adopt Chapter 1. A resident who was unable to attend had sent a lengthy letter with comments. The Board members wanted time to read the comments and possibly address any issues before adopting the chapter.

The Board discussed the wording of a recommendation in Chapter 2. After approving the wording the Board decided to have the planning and Zoning Administrator warn a public hearing for Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 on July 25th.2013

The meeting adjourned at 9:05pm

Respectfully Submitted
David A. Robbins
Lyme Planning and Zoning Administrator.