

**TOWN OF MARION
PLANNING BOARD
Marion Town House
Main Conference Room
2 Spring Street
December 19, 2016**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rob Lane, Chairman
Steve Kokkins, Vice Chairman
Eileen Marum, Clerk
Steve Gonsalves
Jennifer Francis
Mike Popitz
Will Saltonstall

BOARD ASSISTANT: Terri Santos

ALSO PRESENT: Norm Hills

Commencement – Chairman Lane called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Clerk Marum to approve the November 21, 2016 minutes, seconded by Vice Chairman Kokkins.

VOTE: 7-0-0

Motion made by Member Marum to approve the December 5, 2016 minutes, seconded by Member Popitz.

VOTE: 7-0-0

Community Outreach (15 Minutes) - No comments.

Correspondence - None

2018 Budget Approval

Motion made by Clerk Marum to approve the Budget as written, seconded by Member Gonsalves.

VOTE: 7-0-0

Proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment

Chairman Lane distributed a bylaw change to sections: 5.3.4, 4.2 and 9.1.2 ascribing a Special Permit to those sections that will appear on the Warrant for approval at the Spring Town meeting.

Motion was made and read in to the record by Chairman Lane to accept the proposed bylaw change to sections 5.3.4, 4.2 and 9.1.2 seconded by Member Popitz.

VOTE: 7-0-0

Bylaw Codification

Chairman Lane said the bylaw Codification report had been distributed to the Board for review and comment. Member Saltonstall will be handling responses and will work with the Codification Committee. Any Member may assist in reviewing and commenting on the bylaws.

Norm Hills of the Bylaw Codification Committee explained that the primary purpose of the codification was to take the current bylaws and restructure them so as to avoid contradictions and omissions. Mr. Hills also noted that there were minor fixes and seventy-eight sections will need Planning Board review. General comments from the Board are due January 20, 2017 and will be on the agenda for January 9, 2017.

Old Business

Master Plan Transportation and Circulation Task Force - No further updates.

2017 Meeting Schedule – several changes were made and a revised meeting schedule will be emailed to the Board.

Buzzards Bay Coalition Project (update) – No formal application has been received from the Buzzards Bay Coalition. The draft contract and rate sheet along with the Field Engineering Contract was presented to the Board.

Motion made by Member Saltonstall to approve the Field Engineering Contract, seconded by Vice Chairman Kokkins.

VOTE: 7-0-0

Member Francis noted that University of Massachusetts Dartmouth associate professor Chad McGuire is writing a grant proposal in the amount of \$20-30 K concerning sea level rise in Marion, and Professor McGuire is requesting that the Planning Board and the Board of Selectmen endorse the writing project. Member Francis agreed to draft a letter and send it to the Board.

Motion made by Member Saltonstall to allow Member Francis to draft a letter in accordance with the request to be submitted to the BOS for support of Professor McGuire's grant proposal, seconded by Member Popitz.

VOTE: 7-0-0

Approval of Bills

No Bills to approve.

Discussion of Draft Master Plan

Housing – Mr. Buckland reviewed the Housing portion of the draft Master Plan taking comments from the Board.

There was a discussion about housing and the sewer moratorium which was determined to be under the Board of Selectmen's purview. Sherman Briggs (MP Infrastructure Committee) commented that the Sewer Commission needs to work on Infiltration/Inflow (I/I). I/I can cause dilution in sanitary sewers decreasing the efficiency of treatment, which may lead to sewage volumes exceeding design capacity.

After discussion, it was decided to review the Services and Facilities portion at the January 24 meeting.

Motion to adjourn was made by Vice Chairman Kokkins, seconded by Member Popitz at 9:19P.M.

VOTE: 7-0-0

List of Documents Received:

Field Engineering Draft Contract and rate sheet.

Draft Bylaw Codification documents dated 11/20/2016

Draft Master Plan

2017 Meeting Schedule

Proposed Bylaw change to section 5.3.4, 4.2 and 9.1.2

Buzzards Bay Engineering draft contract from Field Engineering

Note: The documents, reports, correspondences, submittals, notices and exhibits are a part of the official record along with these minutes.

Announcement of Grant for UMASS Dartmouth

Respectfully Submitted,

Eileen Marum, Clerk