

**Planning Board**  
**January 30, 2008**  
Approved February 19, 2008

**Members Present: Barbara Freeman, Chair; William Weiler, Vice-Chair; Travis Dezotell; Deane Geddes; Ron Williams; Dick Wright, Ex-Officio; Ken McWilliams, Advisor; Bruce Freeman, Observer.**

Mrs. Freeman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present to join in the review of the Masterplan was Dennis Pavlicek, Town Administrator.

**CASE: Adm1-061: Masterplan – Historic Chapter**

Mr. McWilliams informed the Board that he has received information from Mr. Pavlicek regarding railroads for inclusion in the Masterplan and an oral history from Alice Lynn and Virginia Newell as well as an article written by Judy LaPorte on the Weetamoo Steamship.

Mrs. Freeman commented that she really enjoyed reading all of the chapters in the Historic Chapter. She suggested that the article published in the Soo-Nipi Magazine featuring Cilley's Tavern written by Shelly Candidus should also be included in the Historic Chapter.

Mr. McWilliams stated that he is also trying to get copies of historic photographs relative to the subject matter to be inserted in this chapter.

**CASE: Adm1-061: Masterplan – Acknowledgement & Adoption**

The Board reviewed the acknowledgement and adoption pages. Several additional names were suggested for the Acknowledgement page and will be added accordingly.

**CASE: Adm1-061: Masterplan – Vision Chapter**

Mrs. Freeman commented that she has some suggested changes but they are mostly all editing comments not changes in context. She did point out that one point that the Board had a discussion and agreed that the Town is not trying to *attract* development, but provide for it. The text on page 7 indicates that the Town is trying to attract development, and that should be changed to 'provide for'.

Mrs. Freeman suggested that the goals and recommendations should be updated to reflect the current status of the Town at the time of printing. Some of the goals and recommendations have already been accomplished and should not be included at this point.

**CASE: Adm1-061: Masterplan – Conservation Plan**

Mr. Weiler informed the Board that the Conservation Plan is not quite ready. The recommendations need to be completed and a public hearing needs to be held. The Conservation Commission could commit to putting the plan into the Masterplan before the public hearing if necessary.

Mr. McWilliams commented that the recommendations for the Conservation Plan are important to include in the Masterplan because they will add weight and significance to the issues raised within the Conservation Plan.

**CASE: Adm1-061: Masterplan – Review of Integrated Chapters**

Chapter 3 – Regional Context

Mr. Pavlicek commented that the three Towns jointed together to hire an Assessor and an Assessor's Assistant, not an appraiser. There is a difference between an Assessor and an Appraiser, and they should be referenced as Assessor's. Any reference throughout the document to appraiser should be changed to assessor.

Chapter 4 – Community Facilities & Services and Recreation

No changes or comments were suggested.

Chapter 5 – Historic Preservation

The Board discussed possible maps and photographs to be inserted in the Historic Preservation Chapter.

Chapter 6 – Transportation

No changes or comments were suggested.

Chapter 7 – Housing

No changes or comments were suggested.

Chapter 8 – Natural & Cultural Resources

Mr. McWilliams stated that he received an email from Mr. Weiler with minor changes and will incorporate those in the final draft.

Mr. Wright will re-review this chapter and give feedback to Mr. McWilliams.

#### Chapter 9 – Land Use

Mr. McWilliams observed that something was missing in the draft – one of the paragraphs ends in the middle of a sentence. He will research and renumber the pages.

#### Chapter 10 – Implementation

No changes or comments were suggested.

Mr. Geddes suggested that the Masterplan be made available on the Town's website. Mr. Dezotell stated that a link can be created on the Home Page to facilitate locating the document.

Mr. McWilliams advised the Board that once the Conservation Plan and Recommendations get inserted and the Historic Chapter is pulled together, then the Board can launch into getting notices together and scheduling a time for a public hearing, possibly in March or April.

Mrs. Freeman suggested that particular meeting minutes should be included in the appendix.

There will be NO Worksession on Tuesday, February 5, 2008. At the regular meeting on Tuesday, February 19, 2008, Board members should be prepared to review the minutes of December 18, 2007 and January 2, 2008.

Mr. Dezotell made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Geddes seconded the motion. All in favor.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Plunkett  
Recording Secretary