# PLANNING BOARD

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A meeting of the Orleans Planning Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Nauset Meeting Room at the Orleans Town Hall. Present: Chairman: Chet Crabtree; Vice-Chairman: Steve Bornemeier; Regular Members: Kenneth McKusick and John Fallender. Associate: Andrea Shaw-Reed. Planning Department Staff: George Meservey; and Secretary: Karen Sharpless. Also Present: Board of Selectmen Liaison: Jon Fuller. Absent: Clerk: Charles Bechtold; Associate: Paul McNulty.

Chairman Crabtree announced that Andrea Shaw Reed will vote as a regular member at this meeting.

### VILLAGE CENTER REPORT

Planning Board members and Village Center Subcommittee Chairpersons reviewed and amended Village Center PowerPoint slides to be presented to the Board of Selectmen in September. The discussion included input from business owners regarding what the presentation should include and how it should be presented to the Board of Selectmen in order to gain endorsement of the concepts and to emphasize the excitement and the intent to move forward with Village Center initiatives. Planning Board members noted that input at the Board of Selectmen meeting from subcommittee chairpersons would be helpful in presenting the vision and mission of the proposed group to be known as the "Orleans Community Partnership". Planning Board members agreed to use the input from this meeting to rework the PowerPoint presentation and revisit the topic at the next Planning Board meeting on August 23, 2011.

## VILLAGE CENTER STREETSCAPE

Meservey noted that the Cape Cod Commission streetscape project is moving forward with information from town departments and committees such as the tree inventory and Architectural Review Committee input on aesthetics and design criteria.

Meservey gave an update on a Massachusetts Department of Transportation project to improve intersections at Route 6A and Main Street as well as Route 28 and Main Street. Fuller urged Planning Board members to keep up the momentum and show progress rather than let the project languish. Planning Board members discussed the need for guidelines to maintain the character of Village Center buildings.

#### **OPEN CAPE INFORMATION**

Planning Board members discussed the OpenCape Corporation's receipt of a \$32 million grant for the Broadband Technology Opportunity Program (BTOP) from the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) which is intended to be used to improve telecommunications on Cape Cod and Southeast Massachusetts. Meservey noted that municipalities, schools (used as emergency shelters), libraries, colleges, academic research facilities, and public safety facilities will benefit from the enhanced telecommunications equipment and infrastructure to be completed in 2013.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

## Citizen Planner Training Collaborative Courses Fall 2011

Planning Board members discussed upcoming Citizen Planner Training Collaborative course offerings for the fall of 2011 and some members expressed an interest in attending informational courses.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

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#### Beach Road Sidewalk

Meservey informed Planning Board members of an upcoming public meeting on August 24, 2011 regarding results of a study on the feasibility of installing a sidewalk on Beach Road between East Orleans and Nauset Beach. Meservey noted that funds were appropriated at the 2010 Annual Town Meeting to study the feasibility of installing a sidewalk along Beach Road which would impact abutters.

#### Planning Board Meeting Cancellation

**MOTION:** On a motion by **Kenneth McKusick**, seconded by **John Fallender**, Planning Board members voted to cancel the August 9, 2011 Planning Board meeting.

**VOTE:** 5-0-0 The motion passed unanimously.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 5, 2011**

**MOTION:** On a motion by **Kenneth McKusick**, seconded by **Steve Bornemeier**, Planning Board members voted to approve the minutes of July 5, 2011.

VOTE: 5-0-0 The motion passed unanimously.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: On a motion by Andrea Shaw-Reed, seconded by Steve Bornemeier, Planning Board members voted to adjourn at 8:38 p.m.

VOTE: 5-0-0 The motion passed unanimously.

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DATE: 23 Ang, 11

#### LIST OF HANDOUTS FOR JULY 26, 2011 PLANNING BOARD MEETING:

- 1. Village Center Study PowerPoint Slides, dated July 26, 2011
- 2. OpenCape Corporation Information on Broadband Technology Opportunity Program (BTOP)
- 3. List of Citizen Planner Training Collaborative Courses for Fall 2011
- 4. Planning Board minutes for July 5, 2011