## TOWN OF STONINGTON PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of June 10, 2008

In attendance: Members: Abt, Robinson, Copp, Lyons

Staff: Brynes

Minutes of previous meeting were approved.

There is an vacancy on the Committee. Mr Copp agreed to write to the Selectmen asking them to fill the opening.

Mr Brynes reported that there were about 8 applications submitted for the Design Review Advisory Committee. When appointed, the Committee's immediate task will be to design regulations for itself. After the rules are determined, the final Committee will be appointed, with the role of advising the P&Z on architectural design.

The Stormwater Management Committee has not met recently.

After discussion, it was decided not to ask P&Z to re-energize the Open Space Committee at this time.

Concerns were expressed that Aquifer Protection Areas in Town may not be adequately protected. The largest Stonington aquifer lies partially in Westerly, and therefore falls outside the Connecticut State mandates. The Committee believes Aquifer Protection should be a HIGH priority. A motion was made and voted that the Committee recommend to P&Z that Item 4-12, Task 7 be changed from Moderate to High.

The question was asked about whether Developers are required to certify that they can provide water for all residents of any new development? Answer?

A motion was made and voted to recommend to the P&Z that regulations requiring a demolition delay for historic properties be promulgated soon.

The Committee agreed that referral improvements and better communication between the different Harbor Management Committees is badly needed.

The Committee reemphasized its support for expanding PA 490 to help retain open space.

The Committee reemphasized its support for obtaining an Inventory of Open Space Resources.

The Committee reemphasized its support for having a Tree Warden in Town to help protect Town trees.

As time ran out, the Committee decided to call a special meeting on July 29th, to try to complete its review of the POCD. Since it appears impractical to identify everything outlined in the POCD as a priority, each member was asked to review the POCD in detail prior to the next meeting and come prepared with 4-5 individual priorities to discuss.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kate Robinson