

**2014 Plan of Conservation and Development Subcommittee  
Special Meeting Minutes  
September 8, 2014**

The 2014 Plan of Conservation and Development Subcommittee of the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Special Meeting on September 8, 2014 7:00PM at the Stonington Town Hall Meeting Room, 152 Elm Street, Stonington.

Attending were members, Wendy Bury, Walter Grant, Sara Lathrop, Bill Lyman and Bob Mohr. Town Planner, Keith A. Brynes, and Planning and Zoning Commission member, Fran Hoffman, were also in attendance. Member, Bob Birmingham, was absent.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lathrop at 7:02PM.

**Minutes:**

Mr. Lyman motioned to approve the minutes of the 8/18/14 meeting; seconded by Ms. Bury. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Old Business:**

*Discussion of Comments Received on the 5/16/14 Draft Plan.*

*Bike Stonington comments:*

Mr. Brynes discussed potential edits to the plan to address Bike Stonington's comments. The Transportation Chapter should be amended to add a description of the Complete Streets Resolution and a policy recommending its implementation. A recommendation will be added to adopt the Safe Routes to School program. A recommendation to promote transportation policies that reduce auto dependence will be added to the Natural Resources Chapter. Other changes will be made as needed.

The Subcommittee discussed plan implementation and consensus was to add the statement "Upon adoption of the 2014 Plan, the existing POCD Implementation Committee shall be disbanded." The Subcommittee discussed the types of reports that should be developed every few months to track progress on plan implementation by the various agencies that will make up the new Implementation Committee.

*Dan Barber comments:*

A new task will be added to the Sustainability Chapter to pursue accreditation of the Mechanic Street flood control barrier.

*Carlene Donnarummo comments dated 8/13/14:*

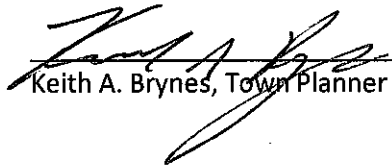
Concerning section 11.1, the Subcommittee decided to adopt Ms. Donnarummo's option #3 on the Capital Improvement Program. The wording of Policy 11.1.5 will be amended to "Provide adequate funding for ongoing implementation of the Capital Improvement Program." Recommended language on the Stonington Historical Society will be added. Staff will consider text recommended for the WPCA and Solid Waste Department.

Ms. Hoffman asked about reinstating the requirement for "environmental assessments" for Special Use Permits. The Planning and Zoning Commission will consider whether to add to the plan or add directly to the Zoning Regulations.

Consensus of the Subcommittee was to have Planimetrics review the revised draft along with Subcommittee members and provide any comments. The next meeting will be Monday October 6<sup>th</sup> in which the Subcommittee will review a revised draft. Staff will aim to distribute the revised draft by Friday September 26<sup>th</sup>. Members should distribute their comments prior to the next meeting to give others a chance to read them.

Mr. Lyman motioned to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Grant. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,



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Keith A. Brynes, Town Planner