

Town of Veazie Planning Board
Meeting Minutes
13 December 2011

Call to Order: 7:02 PM at Fletcher Municipal Building Council Chambers

Present : Board members C. Cronan (Chair), S. Malis-Andersen, K. Carr, K. Tableman; and J. Manter (recorder of minutes); T. Russell (Town Attorney – left 8:06 PM); Tom Davis, citizen & property owner (left after 8 PM).

Minutes: 15 November – moved to accept as presented: S. Malis-Andersen; seconded: C. Cronan; voted: 5 – 0.

1) Pubic Hearing: Revisions to the Land Use Ordinance of Amendments to Open Space Requirements Sections.

C. Cronan – Opened Public Hearing 7:03 PM.

Mr. Davis raised these following issues (with following responses):

- Why % grade for home construction? (Required for application only – changed from 15% to 20% requirement notation more lenient)
- Agriculture no longer in Veazie – why still considered? (Land owner option for Open Space use – agriculture not under scrutiny)
- Open Space swaps for public recreation facilities? (Negotiation bases too varied; language difficult to include off-site allowances as part of sub-division development)
- Why now? (Transfer of Development rights concept still under discussion)
- Cemetery land? (Good discussion for Town Council regarding infrastructure requirements).

C. Cronan thanked Mr. Davis for his attendance and, after inquiring about further discussion, closed the hearing at 7:31 PM.

Motion: To recommend Revisions presented, to the Open Space Sections of the Land Use Ordinance, be forwarded to the Town Council for Adoption; K. Carr; Seconded: K. Tableman; Voted: 5 – 0.

2) Comprehensive Plan Update

Goal Statement Discussions-

- Population & Demographics – add requirement of the Town Manager to provide the Planning Board with Annual Update of population and school population;
- Economic Development – Tentative acceptance of goal;
- Water, Air, Soil & Topographic Resources – J. Manter to review other Town plans to see how “Topography” is dealt with in their plans;
- Significant/Critical Natural Resources – strike out redundancies covered in other goal statements;
- Agriculture/Forestry – discussion postponed;
- Marine resources – discussion postponed; J. Manter to check date of Dam removal;
- Historic/Archeologic Resources- discussion postponed;.
- Land Use – discussion postponed.

Complan Copies – even-numbered pages missing; J. Manter will provide corrected copies at next meeting.

Re-Survey Discussion –

- J. Manter will discuss this matter with the Town Manager
- Previous survey will be reviewed for re-use.

3) Next Meeting.

Next Planning Board meeting is scheduled for 10 January 2012. These items to be taken up-

- Further Discussion of current Complan Goal Statements
- Corrected copies of Complan issued
- Planning Board Manual (Maine Municipal Assn., pubrs.) to be provided to new members
- Planning & Zoning Law booklets (Michaud, pubrs.) to be distributed, and
- Re-Survey of the Town public.

Other Business

- Planning Board Manuals for new members
- Planning & Zoning Law booklets - availability.

Adjourned: 8:09 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


J. Manter

Moved: C. CRONAN @ 10 JAN 11g

Seconded: K. TABLISMAN

Voted: 3-0