

**WARREN PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES OF JANUARY 14, 2015**

PRESENT: Mr. Bill Ramsey; Chairman, Mr. Peter Krawczyk, Mr. Ed Kretkiewicz and Mr. Bill Scanlan

ABSENT: Mrs. Susan Libby; Vice-Chairman and Mrs. Melissa Sepanek

ATTENDEES: Mr. Dario Nardi

Opened the Meeting at 6PM

COMMENTS & CONCERNS

Mr. Krawczyk advised all that CMRPC recently provided estimated figures for upcoming populations for the town. According to the Donahue Institute (part of UMass-Amherst), they have estimated the figures would increase the town's population as much as 15% in the next few years.

In addition, Mr. Scanlan has prepared a letter of support for the Board of Selectmen to sign regarding the Freight Rail Study. Mr. Scanlan will also check with the Highway Surveyor to see if he's interested in using our LPA hours for mapping of the town's catch basins.

6:15PM – PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENTS/ADOPTIONS

VILLAGE DISTRICT LOT SIZES

The Board is considering placing an amendment to the current zoning before the voters in May. The overwhelming majority of the lots in both Village Districts are non-conforming. By changing the demential requirements, the opportunity is there to expand a structure without having to apply for and obtain a Special Permit. The change will not necessarily increase growth, as the build out is already close to maximum. Further discussions will take place at future meetings. Informational meetings will also be scheduled. (a copy of handout will be mailed to both Mrs. Libby and Mrs. Sepanek)

MILL CONVERSION OVERLAY DISTRICT

David Persky has contacted the office requesting that his property be included in the MCO. When originally adopted, Mr. Persky opted out of his property being included. The Board is agreeable to place his property for inclusion in the MCO on the warrant.

MEDICAL MARIJUANA

After a discussion, the Board was in agreement to have Mr. Scanlan provide a survey for the townspeople to complete to see if the residents are interested in moving forward with a bylaw. In the past, this topic has met with opposition.

BILLS/BUDGET/MEMO

Motion to sign payroll for Rebecca Acerra in the amounts of \$215.47, \$267.48, \$193.18 & \$174.61 made by Mr. Kretkiewicz; second: Mr. Krawczyk – unanimous.

Motion to sign the invoices for Wm. Scanlan in the amounts of \$1,300.00 & \$910.00 made by Mr. Kretkiewicz; second: Mr. Krawczyk – unanimous.

Motion to sign the invoice for WB Mason in the amount of \$85.99 & \$109.17 made by Mr. Krawczyk; second: Mr. Kretkiewicz – unanimous.

Motion to sign the invoice for Peer Review for Graves Engineering (Drake Petroleum) in the amount of \$808.80 made by Mr. Krawczyk; second: Mr. Kretkiewicz – unanimous.

The Board submitted their FY16 Budget Request to the Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen as level funded.

Department Head meeting scheduled for January 27, 2015 at 2PM.

Next Meeting Date: January 21, 2015 at 6PM.

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Kretkiewicz; second: Mr. Krawczyk – unanimous at 7PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Acerra
Secretary

Date Approved