

**Planning Board**  
Town of Washington  
March 1, 2011

**0.0 Assembly**

**Members Present:** Lynn Cook, Nan Schwartz, Tom Marshall, Jim Crandall, Lionel Chute

**Alternates Present:** Bill Cole

**Members and Alternates absent:**

**Visitors: Bob Fraser**

**1.0 Minutes:** Crandall motioned to approve the minutes of February 3, 2011 and the Public Hearing minutes of February 3, 2011 as well. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Schwartz motioned to have Cole sitting as a full member. Crandall seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Marshall motioned to have Michelle Dagesse be appointed as an alternate to the Planning Board. Schwartz seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The appointment paperwork will be sent to the Selectmen's office.

**2.0 Driveway Permits -**

**2.1** None

**3.0 Mergers –**

**3.1** None

**4.0 Old Business**

**4.1** Ballot items for Town Meeting. Discussed the strategy of making the definitions for the ballot available to those attending and voting at Town Meeting. Chute asked about the handout and the bold type set.

**4.2** Tax parcel Assessment criteria, warrant article discussion- The Board discussed the issue that is

on the warrant this year. Schwartz provided a map for everyone to review. There will be an enlarged map at Town Meeting for everyone to review. Crandall asked if the Planning Board or some other town organization is responsible for the tax-deeded parcels. Schwartz agreed that this topic has been a matter of discussion for several months but it took time for all Boards to get together and come up with a plan on how to approach the parcels. Crandall said that the Conservation Commission did send a letter to the Selectmen stating that they wish that the Selectmen would not sell these lots and that a process be discussed how determining what the property. The Board discussed the conversation that had taken place regarding LAE lots. Schwartz said that the Planning Board has to come up with their assessment criteria. Chute asked if Board Members can speak on a warrant item at the meeting. Schwartz said that we will have the map available and a plan is in motion. Schwartz motioned that the Planning Board oppose the warrant article. Cole seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

- 4.3** CIP process and outcome, discussion- Crandall said that he was confused regarding changes that were made in the proposal from the Planning Board and what was put on the warrant. Marshall answered Crandall's question regarding the Selectmen separating the Fire Department land and the \$10,000.00 for the Capital Reserve fund for establishing a Building fund. Crandall asked what is the reason behind the purchase. Marshall explained that the Fire Dept and the Rescue Squad requested the land purchase and the task force recommended the purchase for future building expansion.

**4.4** Setbacks, variances, discussion- Marshall discussed a building permit that the Selectmen received and the question of the need for a variance. The Board discussed the issues before the Selectmen regarding building permit variances. Crandall motioned that the Planning Board agrees that setbacks are not grandfathered. Schwartz seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**4.5** Subdivision Regulations update, discussion – Schwartz send the subdivision regulations update for comments from Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission. Rachel Ruppel sent suggestions and Schwartz will work in the comments and resend to the Board Members.

**5.0 New Business –**

**5.1** None

**6.0 Communications:**

**6.1**

**7.0 Adjournment-** Meeting Date - next Planning Board meeting, April 5, 2011 at 6:30PM. Crandall motioned to adjourn, 7:53PM. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Dagesse