

PLANNING BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY June 1, 2010

The Wayland Planning Board met Thursday, June 1, 2010 at 7:30 PM in the Wayland Town Building, 41 Cochituate Road, Wayland, MA relative to the following agenda items:

Mr. Kevin Murphy, Chair
Mr. Ira Montague
Mr. Kent Greenawalt
Ms. Colleen Sheehan, Associate Member

Also present was Sarkis Sarkisian, Town Planner

The committee opened the hearing with a brief summary of using the tools to try and save the rural character of the town. They also discussed the demolition delay review that would be discussed at town meeting this fall.

The statement regarding the Town Center and what property would be saved on the open space list.

Bill Sterling spoke regarding the open space and the land and its uses. The Town had a greater need for recreation at their open space. Another thing was the water that was distributed thru out town and how we use our resources.

The management of open space has fallen into mis-use.

Sarkis noted that the Open Space Plan had not been updated since 1995.

Bill Sterling commented on the Cluster Zoning and how it worked well. He also spoke of the trails in town and has been mis-used and that they needed to be better maintained.

He also spoke of expanding the trails for running trails that might have to cross over some residents' property. Have Conservation do trail maintenance.

He spoke of the Towns GIS and Surveying dept and that they would be able to have mapping done for maintenance.

Sarkis suggested that the Town update the open space plan and have the plan developed with the Town to identify what land would the Town like to protect. They felt that the Town was lacking the vision of protecting the open spaces in town.

They spoke of ways to research land that would be coming up for sale and then approach the attached committees and then have the group try and research groups that would conduct fund raisers to get the money to purchase that piece of property.

They also discussed the 2004 recommendation to have a Historic tax incentive program.

They felt that there should be more information posted for the general public so they will be aware of upcoming by-laws that will be being discussed.

Discussion surrounded other parcels of land in town that may be ideal locations for some of this purchased opened space.

A short discussion surrounded the new well heads and Waylands water consumption and how we need to make sure that we are conserving and not allowing leaks.

Discussions surrounded a number of sections of the master plan and a number of bodies of water and septic management. They felt that there needed to be some changes made to the system of septic review and checks and balances done to protect the natural water resources in town.

They also felt that the Historic District should be enlarged to encompass a wider area and that certain projects should be prohibited from being allowed in town.