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FINAL MEETING MINUTES

October 22, 2014

The Wayland Planning Board met on **Wednesday October 22, 2014 at 7:30PM** in the Wayland Town Building, 41 Cochituate Road, Wayland, MA relative to the following agenda items:

- 7:30 P.M. Public Comment**
- 7:35 P.M. Scenic Road Tree hearing (see enclosed list)**
- 8:15 P.M. Long Range Planning Working Group report on Town owned land.**
- 8:30 P.M. Zoning Bylaws review list for Spring 2015 Town Meeting.**
- 9:30 P.M. Adjourn**

Attendance:

Ms. Colleen Sheehan, Chair
Mr. Andrew Reck, Vice Chair
Mr. Kent Greenawalt, Member

Mr. Kevin Murphy, Absent
Mr. Ira Montague, Member -
Mr. Dan Hill, Associate Member, Absent

Also present was Mr. Sarkis Sarkisian, Town Planner. Minutes taken by S. Sarkisian

7:30PM Open and Public Comment:

C. Sheehan opened the meeting and reviewed the agenda. Please note this was a joint Tree hearing meeting with the Board of Public Works and the meeting was televised.

Public Comment:

No Public Comment.

7:35 PM Scenic Road Tree hearing:

In accordance with Public Shade Tree and Scenic Road laws (MGL-CH87, Sec 3 and CH40, Sec 15C), the Tree Warden and Planning Board will hold a joint Public Hearing which will take place in the Wayland Town Building at 7:30 PM on 10/22/2014 concerning the removal of the following trees:

<u>TREE #</u>	<u>STREET</u>	<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>DIAMETER</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
1009	Glezen Lane	Maple	29"	69 Glezen Lane
1049	Pelham Island Road	Maple	22"	156 Pelham Island Road
1469	Glezen Lane	Elm	16"	163 Glezen Lane
1471	West Plain Street	Locust	12"	219 West Plain Street
1475	Training Field Road	Pine	32"	Training Field Heater Piece
1480	Oxbow Road	Pine	9"	79 Oxbow Road
1481	Oxbow Road	Pine	11"	79 Oxbow Road
1482	Plain Road	Maple	22"	73 Plain Road
1485	Plain Road	Maple	26"	133 Plain Road
1486	Plain Road	Maple	18"	133 Plain Road
1488	Lincoln Road	Pine	28"	Across from 13 Lincoln Road
1489	Rice Road	Elm	14"	60 Rice Road
1499	Rice Road	Pine	10"	36 Rice Road
502-1201	Rice Road	Ash	23"	60 Rice Road

C. Sheehan stated that the Board had issue with Tree # 1471- 12” Honey Locust on West Plain Street. She further commented that West Plain Street is losing too much of its canopy and requested that a schedule of tree planting take place on this road.

M. Lindeman stated that the tree is healthy, but is causing issues with the sidewalk because of the tree roots. He further stated that the homeowner petitioned the tree to be removed.

S. Sarkisian commented that West Plain Street is in need of a comprehensive tree planting program and that new trees need to be planted on this stretch of roadway.

Discussion followed about the process the Town of Wayland takes to install new trees outside of the right of way and the lack of maintenance and water.

Motion/Action Taken: Oppose the removal of Tree number 1471 12” honey locust

Move: K. Greenawalt

Second: I. Montague

Vote: 4-0

Motion/Action Taken: Removal of the remaining trees from the above list.

Move: K. Greenawalt

Second: I. Montague

Vote: 4-0

S. Sarkisian also brought up the issue of several Trees being removed in Training Field Park.

C. Sheehan stated that we need to improve communication and may need to also support funds for various planting requests.

Long Range Planning Working Group update

K. Greenawalt and C. Sheehan gave the Board an update on the on-going efforts of the Long Range Planning Working Group.

There was some discussion about whether the Planning Board is the group to do long range planning. Some believed that it was not part of the legal mandate of PBs; others disagreed and believe it is precisely what PBs do. The discussion then turned away from the legality of who does long range planning to what type of committee should practically do this work. The discussion was about a committee made up of members who are independent of town boards. It was decided that the committee membership and numbers would be discussed later – after it was determined what the process would be to implement long range planning for town-owned property. It was also expressed that whatever is recommended to FinCom is likely to be a process that is bigger than FinCom’s needs. When describing such a committee to FinCom this working group will want to include topics of scope, factors to consider, staff support or not, numbers, who appoints, etc.

When looking at the outline developed in 2005 by the PB regarding a Capital Facilities Committee three major topics are addressed: capital facilities construction, capital facilities maintenance, land use planning. Some believe that land use planning should be first on list – then construction and then maintenance and that this long range planning committee should not be the maintenance planning committee too. Under the topic of land use planning it was suggested to add a second task which would be to maintain a watch list of key privately owned properties that the town may want to consider for purchase in the future.

Discussion followed regarding the importance of a having a committee in place and that K. Greenawalt and C. Sheehan will continue to work with the Working Group.

9:40PM Adjourn

Move: K. Greenawalt

Second: I. Montague

Vote: 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Sarkis Sarkisian, Town Planner

Date