

Meeting Minutes
January 6, 2015
TOWN WIDE PLANNING COMMITTEE

TWPC members present: Mr. Gaumond, Ms. Meola, Mr. Olson, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Simmarano, Ms. Bohnson, Ms. Chanis, Ms. Dunne, Mr. Owanisian

TWPC members absent: Ms. Bryant

Mr. Gaumond called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Motion to accept the meeting minutes of October 28, 2014 by Ms. Bohnson, seconded by Mr. Simmarano. All in favor.

Mr. Gaumond reported that Eric Smith of CMRPC submitted a modified version of the Population & Housing Chapter. In nearly every case, the amendment utilized current census data available to prepare much of the text and tables for the chapter. The chapter included the following sections with new data:

- Historical population patterns
- Jail demographics
- Population age
- Population projections
- Household characteristics
- Housing tenure & sales
- New housing starts
- Types and age of structures
- Household income
- Housing affordability
- Rental & ownership housing
- Supply of subsidized housing

Also included were the summary of housing needs, housing goals, and strategies to meet the housing goals. Finally there was an executive summary. It was clear that this was significant work and very comprehensive. There was a discussion as to what the next step should be. After discussion there was a motion by Ms. Dunne to request the Town Administrator send out the chapter via his blog and notify the public that the TWPC will be voting to approve this and recommend to the Planning Board at their next meeting. Seconded by Ms. Meola. All in favor.

Mr. Gaumond reported that Mr. Smith is still working on the Land Use Chapter. It will be on the next agenda.

The TWPC reviewed the draft Open Space & Recreation Chapter. He thanked Mr. Vignaly for his work on this chapter. He also thanked the Chairman of the Parks Commission who reviewed the Chapter as well. TWPC reviewed the document there was a motion by Ms. Meola to approve

the draft and recommend it to the Planning Board for submission to DHCD. Seconded by Ms. Bohnson. All in favor.

Mr. Gaumond spoke about the next steps necessary. We have on a couple chapters left to complete. We should soon start to call boards and departments in to our meetings again to start talking about living to the Master Plan.

The next meeting will be February 3rd at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Saunders to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Owanisian. All in favor.

Leon A. Gaumond Jr., Town Administrator