

## Elmore Planning Commission Meeting

Meeting Date: July 25, 2012

Meeting Commencement Time: 6:15 pm

Meeting Participants: Steffany Mosley, Shelia Rysz, Sue Cano

Guests: Meghan Rodier, Seth Jensen

Agenda Items:

Minutes Approval from June 27, 2012

Item #1: Review Select Board Meeting and input obtained for the Town Plan

Item #2: Finalize Community Facilities and Service Chapter- police protection, fire truck details, and the Wagner Woodlands Timber property will be identified on the map at the next meeting.

Item #3: Education and Housing Chapters

Item #4: Staying Connected Town Event Planning

Item #5: Mail

Approval of Minutes:

Topic for the July 25<sup>th</sup> meeting was Education and Housing. Motion by Steffany to accept the minutes this made, second by Sheila. All in favor

Meeting Minutes:

Item #1: Review Select Board Meeting and input obtained for the Town Plan

The Select Board is initially supportive of the LCPC scientific study that they have offered to do in Elmore to advise our zoning by-laws. They would like to learn more about the design of the study. They will be instructing the DRB to approve no variances until further notice. The contact at LCPC is Melinda Scott. She is in charge in charge of Geographic Information Systems and will be in charge of the design of the study.

Integration of new members for the Elmore Planning Commission was also discussed because Sue Cano will be stepping down in a year. We were asked to consider individuals who might be interested in joining the EPC

and forwarding their names to the Select Board.

Police coverage was discussed. The Lamoille County Sheriff's Department provides traffic control services. State Police coverage was not something the Select Board wanted to pursue at this time. State wide the individual town responsibilities for protection are being discussed.

Our Junk Ordinance was approved. It will be in effect in August, which meets the 60-day implementation time line.

The Town Plan "DRAFT" chapters will be forwarded to the Select Board Members by LCPC each month. Select Board Members will consolidate their comments, put them in writing and leave me in our mail at the Town Clerk's Office.

Item #2: Finalize Community Facilities and Service Chapter- police protection, fire truck details, and the Wagner Woodlands Timber property will be identified on the map at the next meeting.

Final edits to the Fire Department inventory were made for accuracy. General edits for accuracy were made. The Private Lands section needs to be included.

Item #3: Education and Housing Chapters

LCPC will contact Scott Johnson for descriptive information regarding services for children and families from birth to age 6. The remainder of the education chapter will be worked on following the vote on the Regional Education District in a few months within the Lamoille South Supervisory Union.

There has been a recent court ruling, Jam Golf, that contains new information that should be addressed in our natural resources chapter. LCPC will provide draft content for us to review at the next meeting. We want to make sure our work is current with all known case law and statute. When we do zoning regulation updates we need to also address the fact that now that the State has taken over septic system approval, even if the State approves a septic system, the Town is not required to approve building and road infrastructure development that is not consistent with our zoning bylaws.

Senior housing and housing for low income families was discussed. Elmore supports Home Share and State initiatives that allow families who need financial support to fully utilize existing infrastructure in town. We also want to continue to support cluster development and residential redesign to support extended family housing arrangements.

Item #4: Staying Connected Town Event Planning

July 28<sup>th</sup> there is a Staying Connected sponsored walk taking place. Posters advertising this event will be given to the Elmore Store and the State Park. Additionally, Sue will contact Neahga Leonard to schedule a Saturday Town Event to help the community learn about the initiative for sometime in the fall.

Item #5: Mail

The mail was reviewed and filed.

Topics for Next Agenda:

Official name of our town is what?

Home work is the Economic Development chapter. John Mandeville, Executive Director of Economic Development will be invited to this meeting.

Final edits to prior chapters

Staying Connected town event planning

Mail

Next Meeting:      Date: September 26, 2012      Time: 6pm

Meeting Adjourned:      Motion: Sue      Second: Sheila  
Time: 7:56 pm