

ROCKINGHAM PLANNING COMMISSION

Minutes

Kingston Town Hall
September 30, 2014

Members Present: Glenn Coppelman, Chair, Kingston; Tim Moore and Shem Kellogg, Plaistow; Donald Clement and Katherine Woolhouse, Exeter; Don Marshall, Fremont; Richard McDermott, Hampton Falls; Mike Turell and Richard Clark, Atkinson; Mary Allen and Jim Doggett, Newton; Joan Whitney and Peter Merrill, Kensington; Phil Wilson, North Hampton; Michael McAndrew, New Castle; Stephen Gerrato, Greenland; and Phil Winslow, Rye.

Staff Present: Cliff Sinnott, Glenn Greenwood, Jen Rowden, Julie LaBranche and Roxanne Rines.

7:05 p.m. Meeting Opened

1. Welcome/Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves and stated what municipality they were from or the agency they represented.

2. Minutes from September 10, 2014, Annual Meeting

Minutes were tabled as the correct minutes were not included in packet.

3. Regional Master Plan/GSF – Update to schedule

Greenwood reviewed the memo with the updates. The complete draft plan is due to Nashua RPC on October 31st.

Coppelman stated there is an order form available for Commissioners to order the updated RSA Land Use Books. He reminded members to turn in their time tally sheets for reviewing chapters.

4. Chapter Review, Discussion, Comment - continued

A. Housing Chapter – **Greenwood** explained why the Housing chapter is not ready for review and will be carried over to the next meeting.

- B. Natural Resources – **Rowden** distributed two sets of maps that will be included in the appendices. She stated the chapter is a combination of several past chapters which she has combined along with new information. She gave a brief description of the outcomes for both the public visioning sessions and the statewide survey.

Rowden reviewed the key issues and challenges along with the goals of the chapter. **Clement** thanked Jenn for her work and discussion ensued. **Rowden** then reviewed the goals included in the chapter. Discussion ensued with changes and suggestions and she told members to get any other changes or suggestions to her.

- C. Climate Change – **LaBranche** explained the reasoning behind a climate change chapter, how the chapter is set-up. She reviewed the goals, key issues and challenges and the recommendations. Discussion ensued, which provided changes and recommendations for the chapter. Send all suggested changes to LaBranche.

Coppelman thanked Rowden and LaBranche for their work and presentations.

5. **Announcement: Telecommunications/Cable Franchise Agreement**

Sinnott told members about the workshop which will be held at the REDC offices in Raymond and stated flyers are available.

6. **RPC Legislative Forum – Plans to Date**

Coppelman stated the forum will again be held at the Unitil Headquarters in Hampton. The discussion topic will be the newly released State Energy Plan and that the panel guests have not been confirmed. **Merrill** stated the plan is available on the State's website.

The legislative committee will meet Monday, October 6th at 4:00 pm.

7. **Other Business**

Clark thanked Sinnott for the letter he wrote to DOT concerning the review of the Plaistow Commuter Rail Extension Study – Benefit Cost Analysis by the same firm that wrote it.

Sinnott stated Theresa Walker is working with the State Office of Emergency Management employees to set up a hazard mitigation workshop and more information will be forthcoming.

8. **Public Comment None.**

9. **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne M. Rines
Recording Secretary