

ROCKINGHAM PLANNING COMMISSION

**October 30, 2014
Minutes**

Brentwood Recreation Center

Members Present: Glenn Coppelman, Chair, Kingston; Tim Moore, Plaistow; Francis Chase, Seabrook; Barbara Kravitz, Hampton; Bob Goodrich, Stratham; Peter Merrill, Kensington; Robert Clark, Atkinson; Don Clement, Exeter; and Phil Wilson, North Hampton.

Others Present: Lisa Wilson, North Hampton.

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

Meeting opened at 7:10 a.m.

1. Welcome/Introductions

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

2. Minutes from September 10, 2014

Motion: **Clark** made a motion to accept the minutes of September 10, 2014, as written. Chase seconded the motion. **Motion carried with Goodrich abstaining.**

Minutes from September 30, 2014

Motion: **Moore** made a motion to accept the minutes of September 30, 2014, as written. Clark seconded the motion. **Motion carried with Goodrich and Chase abstaining.**

3. Regional Master Plan/GSF-Update to Schedule

Greenwood stated the 30-day comment period will begin on November 11, 2014, and ends on December 10, 2014. The public hearing will be held at the RPC December 10, 2014, meeting with possible adoption. Commissioners should send comments to chapter writers before November 7, 2014, so that they may be incorporated into the document.

A. Housing - **Greenwood** reviewed the draft of the chapter. The fair housing chart is not completed yet, but will be in the next review of the chapter. He reviewed the re-written goals of the chapter. Members discussed goal in goal #5 and made suggested changes.

The methodology for the affordable needs assessment was questioned. **Clark** questioned HUD's oversight of the project. **Sinnott** explained the requirement from HUD is that the document be completed and adopted by the planning commission.

Greenwood gave an overview of the chapter recommendations and discussion ensued concerning them. He asked that Commissioners get changes to him in the next couple of days and he will rewrite both the goals and recommendations for the next meeting.

B. Land Use - **LaBranche** gave an overview of the chapter outline and content and asked that comments be sent to her. **Sinnott** stated the chapter is not required as part of the GSF grant, but staff felt it was important to include as part of the regional master plan since land use is at the heart of the type of planning that planning boards are charged with doing. He reviewed the goals and recommendations of the land use chapter and explained that the full chapter will not be available as part of the plan that begin the public comment period on November 11. This and the Regional Overview chapter will proposed for adoption after a subsequent 30 day comment period, likely beginning sometime in December. Discussion ensued about water supply and issues and suggestions were made.

C. Economic Development - **Sinnott** reviewed the changes made to the chapter since the last review. They included adding material about Broadband and the inclusion of their recommendations, inclusion of small businesses into the chapter. He continued that the goals and recommendations have not changed. Discussion ensued.

D. Regional Overview - **Rowden** reviewed the material included in the Executive Summary and Overview Chapter to 'tell our story' as to how the landscape was settled and development patterns from Native Americans to today. She also explained how the document will be formatted. Discussion ensued. Commissioners will be given a cd of the entire document.

Sinnott stated future amendments to the plan will be made in accordance with 36:47 and explained how they would be incorporated into the document. **Rowden** gave a brief overview of the matrix implementation.

4. Chapter Review, Discussion, Comment

Done during each chapter review.

5. RPC Legislative Forum - Draft Agenda

Sinnott reviewed the draft agenda for the Legislative Forum and discussion ensued about the format and topic of the meeting. Sinnott asked commissioners to invite local officials from their community.

6. Other Business

Greenwood stated the Regional Impact Committee has openings for new committee members and explained what the committee does. He asked anyone interested to contact him.

7. Public Comment - None

8. Adjourn – Meeting Adjourned at 9:17

Respectfully Submitted,

Roxanne Rines