

Planning Board Minutes of Meeting: -- **10/16/12**

Attending: Michael Hale, Chair; Janine Savoy, Secretary; Alan Vint, Terry Crean, Maureen Sullivan.

Meeting called to order at: -- 6:40pm -- Adjourned at: -- 8:17pm --

Minutes of previous meeting date -- **9/25/2012** -- **not read and approved yet.**

Next Meeting scheduled for: -- **Oct 23**, 6:30pm. Continue meeting with Larry Smith.

Agenda this meeting: -- **Review and approve previous minutes, review old business**

Minutes: Lengthy discussion of what minutes should or should not be. (excerpt: Planning Board minutes from days gone by were too austere. ... But these are too much like transcripts. ... They're not what the public expects to read online.) Result: Alan moved to appoint Maureen as Secretary, Terry seconded, the motion carried. Previous Secretary Janine would still submit minutes for this meeting. Minutes for last 5 meetings still remained unapproved drafts since June.

Horses: Audience members attending for the first time were Glennis Austin, Cindy Artioli, and Cindy Herman. All keep horses, and had heard that the board was discussing restrictions on keeping horses. Glennis: Why just horses, not llamas or sheep? We already wrote the Right To Farm bylaw, which addressed this, so why is the subject even being brought up? Mike: It was raised by the expert from PVPC. He'll be back next week to ask. Maureen: Is there a safe, healthy, or best practice amount of area for keeping a horse? It's up to the Planning Board to decide if we should attach any strings to a use on under 5 acres. Cindy H: Each horse has different needs. There is no minimum. Glennis: We have an animal inspector, and other procedures for if an animal is not being cared for properly, so why would anything need to be in the zoning bylaws? Result: These horse experts said there was no one rule that would fit all cases concerning raising and keeping horses. They will return to the next meeting with Larry from PVPC.

Points for further Board discussion before finalizing wording in Use Table: Horses. Outdoor sales display. Open storage. Distinctions on Elder Housing or Life Care. Purpose Definitions for districts.

--Minutes respectfully submitted by Secretary Janine Savoy.

Old Business (items from previous meetings listed for tracking follow-through, and deleted when done.)

Mtg 5/15/12

Get current ByLaws available on website.

Collate/ provide all paperwork for AG on Wind Turbine BL. (MH)

Find new Master Plan Committee members; write job description.

Get all documents on PLANNING BOARD computer as Board's electronic filing storage.

Mtg 6/26/12

Email Larry to get 32 boilerplate conditions, & S'hamp standards & conditions (MH)

Supply members with copy of letter on Master Plan Survey inquiry for future reply.

Mtg 7/24/12

Forward needed files to Board email address to be retrieved on PLANNING BOARD computer. (MS)

Mtg 9/25/12

Email the missing Dining Club bylaw to Larry to add to draft.

Read over the Purposes for each District that Larry will email.

Larry will email a Building or other Structure bylaw.

Mtg 10/16/12

Clear up backlog of unfinished minutes approvals.