

**MASTER PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE
TOWN OF PETERBOROUGH,
New Hampshire**

April 14, 2010

Minutes

The Master Plan Steering Committee held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at 5:45 p.m. in the Selectmen's Room of the Peterborough Town House.

Members present: Chairman Mose Olenik, Peter Gosline, and Sue Chollet.

Also present: Carol Ogilvie, Director and Laura Norton, Administrative Assistant, Office of Community Development.

Meeting called to order: 5:45 p.m.

Statement from the Chair:

None

Minutes:

Deferred to June Meeting, no quorum.

Status Report on Cultural Resources Subcommittee:

Chair Olenik noted that the Cultural Resources Chapter was coming along and reported that after another few meetings "we will be ready to provide a draft to the Committee."

Update on the Regional Concerns Chapters:

Ms. Ogilvie presented a draft chapter that consisted of all the information that had been collected so far. She noted she had created a framework, or context, for the chapter, beginning with an introduction and a brief description of Peterborough's place in the region. Then, she worked the research done by Ms. Chollet into the substantive topic discussion. She noted "I am just waiting for the police information and the water supply research from Swift and Beth." She also noted she spoke with Mr. Bartlett about the regional road agent meetings "and I have asked to be on the agenda for their next meeting" she said.

Chair Olenik reiterated the scheduling difficulties of trying to get together with Chief Guinard and suggested that a questionnaire about the regional cooperation amongst police departments may be a more appropriate approach. Ms. Chollet suggested passing on what she had gathered from the Fire Department and asking Chief Guinard if he had anything to add might be another approach. "If not lets just go with what we have" she said. Ms. Ogilvie volunteered to meet with Chief Guinard and follow up.

"What else?" asked Chair Olenik with Ms. Ogilvie going on to review the identified resources, services and facilities that make up the regional components that also included transportation,

workforce housing, recreation, waste management and alternative energy production. She noted that the Committee was compiling information as their time and schedules permit and reiterated that for this reason the Committee chose to address Public Safety (Fire and Police) and Water Supply first. She concluded by noting “the question is how much effort you want to put into this now? Do you want to just keep going until we work our way through the list?” the members unanimously replied “yes.”

A very brief discussion about Recreation and their pay-to-play programs and work-force housing followed. Ms. Ogilvie noted “as far as work-force housing goes, we have been involved for a long time. I can get something written up for review, as I have been paying attention to that issue for a long time.” Chair Olenik asked about a recent ZBA Decision regarding a boarding house in town and a brief discussion about zoning regulations followed. Ms. Ogilvie noted that the regulations used to allow boarding houses “but it stopped being a customary use and it just sort of went away.” Ms. Chollet asked “can the Planning Board put it back?” Ms. Ogilvie replied “yes, they can and it is on my list.”

Mr. Gosline complimented the minute taker noting “I love the minutes, sometimes minutes can be dry and difficult to get through – these are like a Peterborough Verbatim script.”

The members then discussed their membership terms and the election of officers. Ms. Ogilvie noted that would take place in May, after Town Meeting. She also reviewed the status of the sitting members. Both Ms. Chollet and Chair Olenik were under the impression that their terms were up in 2009 (which later turned out *not* to be the case). Ms. Ogilvie noted Mr. Gosline and Mr. Hicks were both up in 2010. When asked if he would consider another term Mr. Gosline replied “if people want me to and if Sue stays on, those are my conditions.” Ultimately both Ms. Chollet and Chair Olenik agreed to stay on.

In conclusion Chair Olenik asked “so what is next for the Committee?” Ms. Chollet replied “there is always the municipal facilities chapter, which is a big one that is still outstanding.” Ms. Ogilvie suggested the members may want to go back, review and update the existing chapters if necessary “the Master Plan *is* seven years old now” she said.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Next Meeting:

June 9, 2010 at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Norton
Administrative Assistant