

# UNDERHILL PLANNING COMMISSION

May 20, 2015 6:30 PM

Minutes

**PC Members Present:** Cynthia Seybolt (Chair), Pat Lamphere, Irene Linde, Cliff Peterson

**Staff Present:** Sarah McShane

**Others Present:** David Rogers, Peter Bennett

**7:10 PM:** Call to order by Chair C.Seybolt.

**7:10 PM:** There were no public comments.

C. Seybolt told the Commission that she had recently spoken with several community members to see if they'd be interested in serving on the Planning Commission. She said that the individuals may be potentially interested.

**7:20 PM:** Commission members discussed H.40- the recently passed bill regarding screening and setbacks for solar installations. Pete Bennett was in attendance to discuss the issue with the Commission. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding screening measures and what type of screening measures would be appropriate for solar installations. The general consensus was that the Commission would like to further pursue the issue with the aid of the Energy Committee.

*Action Item:* S.McShane will reach out to VLCT to see if they have a model screening ordinance or if they know of other municipalities that have already adopted solar screening bylaws. P.Bennett will continue the conversation with the Energy Committee.

**8:00 PM:** The Commission continued to discuss the listed agenda items. Members discussed the importance of developing a list of items to discuss with the Selectboard (i.e. personnel policies, annual budget process, quarterly meetings, CIP etc.)

Members discussed community participation, the structure of town government, and whether or not the town is functioning as efficiently as possible.

*Action Item:* The Planning Commission agreed to tentatively meet with the Selectboard on June 23<sup>rd</sup> to discuss identified issues. S.McShane will work with Town Administrator to schedule the item on the Selectboard agenda.

**8:10 PM:** Commission members decided to discuss the bike/pedestrian grant program and the annual work program at the next meeting.

Members reviewed the minutes from May 6, 2015. P.Lamphere made a motion, seconded by C.Peterson, to accept the meeting minutes as submitted. The motion passed by all members present.

**8:25 PM:** P.Lamphere made a motion, seconded by C.Peterson, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by all members present.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25PM

Respectfully Submitted By:

Sarah McShane

These minutes of the May 20, 2015 meeting were accepted

This 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015

Cynthia Seybolt, Chair  
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