

UNDERHILL PLANNING COMMISSION

November 19, 2014, 6:30 PM

Minutes

PC Members Present: Trevor Squirrel, Gerry Adams, David Edson, Pat Lamphere, Irene Linde

Staff Present: Sarah McShane

Guests Present: None

6:30 PM: Call to order by Chair Trevor Squirrel

6:31 PM: Public Comment – None

6:32 PM: Chair Trevor Squirrel asked to change the agenda in order to discuss the draft road and driveway ordinance earlier in the meeting. Commission members agreed. Chair T.Squirrel provided an overview of the document and highlighted two sections regarding granting waivers for road and driveway standards and the role of the Development Review Board. Discussion ensued. Members agreed to discuss it at more length at the next meeting when C. Peterson is present.

6:45 PM: Town Plan: Natural Resources Chapter: Discussion

Chair Trevor Squirrel provided an overview of the updated Natural Resources Chapter of the Town Plan. Members agreed that the length of the document should be reduced. Members discussed and provided comments on the individual sections including Open Space Planning, Ground Water, Agriculture, Air Quality, Wildlife Habitat, and Geological Resources. Commission members had different opinions on the content of the chapter. Discussion ensued regarding the importance of preserving and protecting natural resources as well as protecting private property rights. Members agreed for staff Sarah McShane to work with Chair Trevor Squirrel to soften some of the language and to slim down the individual sections. An updated draft will be presented at the next meeting. Commission members were asked to review the chapter and to come to the next meeting with suggestions and recommendations.

7:45 PM: Minutes of the previous Planning Commission meeting held on November 5, 2014, were tabled to the next meeting.

7:50 PM: Meeting adjourned on a motion by P. Lamphere, seconded by D.Edson

Respectfully Submitted By:

Sarah McShane

These minutes of the November 19, 2014 meeting were accepted

This 3rd day of DECEMBER, 2014



Trevor Squirrel Chair

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