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RECAP

DURHAM PLANNING BOARD

Wednesday, May 14, 2014

Town Council Chambers, Durham Town Hall

7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Planning Board members

Peter Wolfe, *Chair*

Richard Kelley, *Vice Chair*

Andrew Corrow, *Secretary*

Julian Smith, Town Council Rep.

William McGowan

Lorne Parnell

David Williams

Wayne Lewis, Alternate

Kathy Bubar, Council Alternate

Linda Tatarczuch, Alternate

Michael Behrendt, Town Planner

Victoria Parmele, Minute Taker

- VI. **Master Plan Update from Molly Donovan**, Chair of the Master Plan Advisory Committee
- VIII. **Agricultural Resources Master Plan**. Review of updated draft chapter. Theresa Walker, Chair of the Agricultural Commission. Recommended action: Endorse plan as appropriate

The Planning Board decided to “accept” the chapters as they come to the board individually rather than endorse them, since the chapters will all come back to the Planning Board later to be formally adopted and changes may be needed at that time. The board accepted the Agricultural Resources Chapter and sent it to the MPAC to have Strafford Regional Planning Commission, our new consultant, review the plan and make suggested changes in accordance with the new process.

- IX. **Public Hearing - Elderly Mixed-Housing Development – Proposed Zoning Amendment**. Proposal from the Economic Development Committee for an amendment to create a new residential use which would be allowed in the Durham Business Park Zoning District by conditional use. Recommended action: Initiate amendment if acceptable

The board made a few additional minor changes and voted to formally initiate the amendment. It now goes to Town Council for consideration.

- X. **Public Hearing - 5-7 Dennison Road – The Coops**. Site plan for “The Coops” to relocate the dumpster to the rear of the lot. GP Dennison LLC, c/o Fred Kell (applicant). Tax Map 2, Lot 11-5. Professional Office Zoning District. Recommended action: **POSTPONE** to May 21.

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- XI. **Public Hearing – Lights at Cowell Stadium - UNH**. Presentation on a proposal for an array of new field lights directly adjacent to the Field House on the University of New Hampshire Campus. Submitted for comments pursuant to RSA 674:54. Recommended action: Close public hearing and offer nonbinding comments on proposal

Mr. Bencks explained the project. There were a number of questions and comments but no specific comments from the overall board. The item was closed.

- XII. **Public Hearing - Election Signs and Snipe Signs** (opportunistic temporary signs) - Zoning Ordinance Amendment. Initiated by the Town Council on April 7, 2014. Proposed amendments to the Sign Ordinance regarding placement of signs, dimensions of signs, and a statement of purpose of the intent of the ordinance. Recommended action: Prepare comments or continue.

The board voted on its recommendation but was neutral on the proposal.