TOWN OF BENNINGTON PLANNING BOARD

Minutes of the Meeting-February 27, 2012

Present Jeffrey Rose, Chairman

Susan Smith, Vice Chairman

David McKenzie

Guest Peter Martel

Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

The Board received a plot plan and application for a Site Plan Review from the Dollar General. A short discussion was held concerning the upcoming joint Hearing with the ZBA and the proper procedure for holding such a hearing. It was noted that the Planning Board will wait to begin the process of checking the application before them until after the ZBA has ruled on the requested variances. It was noted that the Chairman of the Planning Board will check for a packet containing the receipts for the certified abutter notifications prior to the start of the March 19, 2012 Hearing.

The Board agreed to hold election for officers until after the March 19, 2012 hearing date as this is not a regular meeting.

The minutes of the February 13, 2012 meeting were reviewed and accepted with minor changes.

The Board reviewed the requirements for multi family dwellings. It was noted that there is a need to clarify the requirements for dwellings beyond duplexes. The possible wording for clarification was put on hold.

The Board agreed that article VII, K3 and K4 should be removed as it is now illegal. Chairman Rose will contact Town Counsel to find out if a warrant article is needed to remove an illegal article.

The Board discussed the situation of a lot being partially in the Water Resource Protection Zone and how that lot should be treated. The Board agreed on an interpretation noting that the portion of the property not located in the Water Resource Protection Zone can be treated separately if there is adequate acreage.

The Board voted to cancel the meeting scheduled for March 12, 2012.

The Master Plan will be addressed at a future date. Letters will be addressed to department heads for their input and census material will be included with help from Southwest Regional.

There being no other business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

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