

APPROVED minutes of the January 5, 2010 Planning Board Meeting  
Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance

**Members Present:** Tom Cottrill (Chairman), Jeff Hollinger (Vice Chairman), Karen Ebel, Emma Crane (Conservation Commission Representative), Tina Helm (Board of Selectmen Representative), John Tilley (Alternate)

**Members Absent:** Michele Holton, Michael Doheny, Deirdre Sheerr-Gross (Alternate)

**Also Present:** Ken McWilliams (Town Planner), Peter Stanley (Zoning Board Administrator), Bob Crane

Chair Cottrill called the **MEETING TO ORDER** at 7:00pm and asked Mr. Tilley to sit in for Michele Holton, who was absent. He said that they would begin reviewing the proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. Cottrill asked for comments on Amendments #1 and #2. There were no comments. He then asked for comments on Amendments #3 and #4.

#3. Rationale: Mr. Stanley noted that the fine had not increased, but that there had been a fee added for a second offense. He added that there is a five day limit on the fine. Mr. Hollinger asked what happened if the person didn't do what has been asked by the Town after the first infraction. Mr. Stanley said they would be summoned again and it would be considered a new offense.

#4. Ms. Ebel said that she would suggest in the rationale that they say what they are doing. She felt it should say "requiring a third party oversight at the expense of the developer." Mr. McWilliams said he would put this in both the beginning and the end of the amendment.

Ms. Helm said that due to the fact that there were only four amendments to the ordinance this year, it shows that over the years, much progress has been made in improving clarity in the regulations, thanks to Mr. Stanley (Zoning Administrator) and the Planning Board for keeping on top of the zoning issues. Mr. Stanley agreed that progress has been made and said that it was due to everyone's help and participation.

**IT WAS MOVED (Jeff Hollinger) AND SECONDED (Karen Ebel) to approve the proposed amendments to the zoning ordinance, dated January 5, 2010, and to have them placed on the ballot for the 2010 Town Meeting. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Ms. Helm reported that the Selectmen would be proposing a 3% budget increase at the next budget meeting. Chair Cottrill noted that Ms. Levine had agreed to put in the additional \$5,600 to cover the Planner's fees for 2010, subject to action by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen. Cottrill said at the very least, if the budget does not have the full amount of the PB's request, he will make a presentation to voters at town meeting.

**IT WAS MOVED (Karen Ebel) AND SECONDED (Emma Crane) to adjourn the January 5, 2010 Planning Board meeting. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:20pm. The next meeting has been scheduled for January 26, 2010 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristy Heath, Recording Secretary  
Town of New London

Approved on: \_\_\_\_\_ January 26, 2010 \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_