

Jefferson Comprehensive Land Use Committee

March 20, 2007 Meeting

7:00PM-Jefferson Town Hall

Present: Dan Singletary, Greg Sheehan, Bill Parker, Marge Hait, Diane Fischer

Also present: Dick Kuhn, Alice Singletary, Hank Fisher, Tom Shepstone, Brian Fleury, Rebecca Platel

Absent: Linda Vroman

The meeting opened at 7:00pm. Greg made a motion to accept last meetings minutes. The motion was seconded by Marge Hait and unanimously carried.

Tom presented the final Comprehensive Plan. Copies will be forwarded to the Town Board and the County to fulfill the grant. The time frame for adoption of the plan was discussed.

Tom Shepstone briefly reviewed the contents of the appendices, noting a few minor corrections that need to be made. Dan asked if everyone feels that the plan and/or appendices were complete and not missing any fundamental pieces. Members should consider this for next months meeting as well as review appendices E through H.

The Draft Road Law was discussed. The committee requested that it be clearly stated in the law that at no time is the town obligated to adopt a private road as a town road. The law was forwarded to the highway superintendent for review.

The Draft Rural Land Development Law was discussed as to how it can address the regulation of adult uses. Dick noted the Town has had an Adult Use Regulation in effect since the 1970's. Provisions for minimum lot size under the law were discussed as were different approaches to preserving open space. Tom explained the concept of using density standards in conjunction with a minimum and/or maximum lot size.

The meeting closed with a discussion about wind energy. Dan stressed that this issue is likely to create controversy in the town in the near future seeing as Reunion, Inc. has recently approached the Town regarding its wind resources. Information and model wind ordinances were distributed. Lillian Bruno from the County Planning Department put together a binder of information as well. Committee members should review the information and be ready with input regarding the Town's proposed Wind Energy Facilities Law for the next meeting.

The next was scheduled for Tuesday, April 17, 2007 at 7:00pm.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.

Recorded by Rebecca Platel