

Marshfield Planning Commission Meeting Minutes  
December 1, 2016

The regular meeting of the Planning Commission was called to order at 6:30pm on 12/01/16 at the Old Schoolhouse Common by Jon Groveman.

**Present**

Jon Groveman, Bob Light, Melissa Seifert, Faeterri Silver, Michael Schumacher, Robin Schunk

**Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved with minor changes.

**Open Issues**

Bob discussed the handbook that he received from the state. It is educational materials that the state would like to have given out to people with their building permits. The materials will cost a bit to mail and seem redundant for most people since a professional builder will already have the information. It would be useful for someone that was planning on building their home themselves.

**Zoning Updates:** None

Jon went to the downtown board and received approval for the Village Designation which will pave the way for opportunities to apply for grants and various types of funding in the future.

Jon felt there was some confusion regarding the PC budget. The PC would like to see the same budget as last year of \$5,000. Jon will follow up on this with Bobbi, the town clerk, to verify/clarify.

**Town Plan Review:**

Surface Resources:

Surface Water Regulations; Jon will update this section as the classifications thru the state have been changed.

Regarding Mollys Falls; Will revise to show this is part of the Groton State Forest now and also that GMP now needs to go thru regulatory process to do work on the dam.

The town wants to track/review any work being done to the dam. This would include what goes to the Public Service Board.

Bob was supposed to get in touch with Ed Jalbert (conservation commission member) and has been unable to contact him via phone. Jon will send an email to the Conservation Commission asking for their recommendations regarding the forestland and wetlands sections and the language of the section on water and the testing for e-coli in the town plan. Jon will also ask the Conservation Commission to review the terminology on the objectives section.

Proposed to add a section after Flood Hazard, section would possibly create a shore land district to address camp development around the town ponds.

Rural Character Section: PC would like to add some results from the 2014 survey such as the percentages of residents that feel rural character is still important.

**Goals- Objectives- Action steps Section:**

Would like to change the term “timberland” to “Forest blocks”

4. change “provide” to “encourage”
5. To say “best management agricultural and silver culture practices”
6. Change to “ensure”
7. Strike this line

**Meeting ended on page 31 of the town plan.**

**Next meeting will be January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Minutes submitted by: Robin Schunk

Approved by: