

**TOWN OF CASTLETON
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES of JUNE 28, 2016
TOWN OFFICES**

MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Bruno, B. Longtin, J. Currie, J. Pintello

OTHERS PRESENT: E. Bove, RRPC

Meeting called to order at 7:10 by J. Bruno.

PROPOSE TOWN PLAN UPDATES

E. Bove presented the proposed Hazardous Mitigation Plan for their review. He explained that the local hazardous mitigation plan details all the potential hazardous in the town, flooding, avalanches, plane crashes, attacks, etc., and it sets policies in place long term to address those. It fits along with the Town Plan Emergency Management section and local Emergency Operations Plan which gets updated annually. The Planning Commission needs to review and approve it, and then it goes to FEMA for their adoption process. It also helps with the ERAF, which helps with funds. The federal government pays 75% and the state pays 25% of the reimbursable costs to the town in case of a disaster. The plan has a 5 year update cycle.

E. Bove continued with the Town Plan, stating that he has incorporated the comments that he has received so far. There are still some sections that need updating, but they will not keep the plan from being adopted. In the energy chapter on page 25, the regulatory implementation, there are pieces that could be added, but due to late legislative action, I would suggest that this portion be eliminated down to Energy Goals.

The only other update is the Land Use map. In the Economic Development section (page 53) I added another bullet that talks about the Village Center Designation and Act 59 states if you want a Village Center Designation then it has to be in the Town Plan and show them on the map and on Page 54 added re-apply for Village Designation at the Four Corners area and Historic Main street area.

J. Bruno suggested adding Village Center Designation to the Hydeville area, from Prunier's to Creek Rd.

E. Bove also stated that once the Town Plan is adopted, then we can apply for Village Center Designation status and RRPC will help with that process.

E. Bove listed what is still outstanding in the plan, updated map, flood resilience section (pg 29), then the board can review the plan for any other changes and then set a date for public hearing and then on to the Select Board for their two (2) Public Hearings.

J. Bruno stated some of the oldest houses in Castleton are located in Hydeville those homes were built around the 1700's, this is when the many migrants came to work in the quarries.

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E. Bove asked if they would like to add Hydeville to the Village Center Designation. He continued stating that the plan was about done except for a few sections. On page 54 it would say re-apply for Village Designation.... and add a new Village Designation in the Hydeville area.

J. Bruno suggested the Hydeville area be call Historic Village and at the corners Historic Village.

E. Bove also suggested on Page 53, add the Town will pursue re-designation and the addition of the new Hydeville Historic District.

The board looked at the business section listed needs updating or so that no businesses are missed, it could be omitted, he section on the number eating established was reviewed and Transportation.

E. Bove asked the board to review all the changes and submit it to RRPC for their review and before it goes to public hearing by the Planning Commission then on to the Select Board for two public hearings.

ZONING ORDINANCE UPDATE

This item was tabled until next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

J. Currie updated the board with information from the RRPC meeting she attended where they received information on the clean water funding. There is grant money available from the state. She also distributed a copy of the new Municipal Plan.

J. Bruno stated he was sorry that Frank resigned from the Planning Commission.

The board agreed that their next meeting will be July 26.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL - June 14, 2016

MOTION: B. Longtin motioned to approve the minutes of June 14, 2016. J. Currie seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

ADJOURN

MOTION: J. Currie motioned to adjourn at 8:15 pm. B. Longtin seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully

Date of Approval

J. Potter