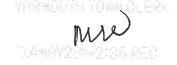
Town of Yarmouth



MINUTES OF THE PLANNING BOARD MEETING OF April 2, 2014

The Yarmouth Planning Board held a Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday **April 2**, **2014** in the Hearing Room at the Yarmouth Town Offices located at 1146 Route 28, South Yarmouth, MA.

Planning Board Present: Anthony Panebianco, Chris Vincent, Norm Weare, Tom Roche and Brad Goodwin.

Planning Board Absent: Ken Driscoll.

Others Present: Kathy Williams, Town Planner, and Rich Bilski.

Planning Board Chairman Chris Vincent opened the meeting at 5:31 PM.

- 1. Review and Discuss of the 25% Design Submittal Documents for the Parkers River Bridge replacement: The Planning Board reviewed the attached March 28, 2014 memo from the Town Planner and viewed the attached Power Point presentation in the hopes of incorporating some of the recommendations from the Route 28 Complete Streets Traffic Study into the design for the Parkers River Bridge replacement. Cost considerations will be an issue and possible additional sources of funding may be required. The following items were discussed:
 - a. <u>Bridge Materials</u>: The Planning Board was supportive of the proposed metal bridge railing as it is less expensive, easier to maintain and provides more water views than a concrete bridge. Individualizing the railing with paint would be a low cost option (black, brown, dark green or dark blue).
 - b. <u>Bridge Arch</u>: Although arched bridges can be aesthetically pleasing, the length of the bridge is too short to achieve the full visual impact of an arch.
 - c. <u>Streetscape Amenities</u>: Decorative lighting, flagpoles, banners and greenery were seen as relatively low cost items that would have a lot of impact on the streetscape and enhance the bridge as a gateway to the Village Centers. Discussed possibility of phasing in some of these items as funding becomes available, if the basic infrastructure is included in the bridge project (i.e. light conduit/bases, and green belts/roadway sections).
 - d. Roadway Section: The width of the travel lane was discussed and whether a 12' wide lane versus 11' would be beneficial. There was a general consensus that 11' travel lanes and 5' bike lanes would be adequate. The use of Section B from the complete streets study was desirable (11' travel lanes, 5' bike lanes, 5' green belt and 5' sidewalks), but due to space constraints, Section A would also be a good option. Section A had the green belt on the south side only with the sidewalk on the north side being widened to 6', resulting in an overall smaller right-of-way requirement.
 - e. <u>Sidewalks</u>: It was felt concrete sidewalks would provide for safe handicap accessibility and durability. Sidewalks should be located on both sides of the roadway.
 - f. <u>Pedestrian Crossing Location</u>: The Board had a small preference to locating the pedestrian crossing on the west side of the bridge due to potential development at the nearby former Drive-In site, if there were no safety or sight distance issues.

- g. <u>Curb Cut Reduction</u>: There was general concurrence on reducing curb cut widths where possible.
- 2. <u>Preparation/final discussions on Zoning Articles for 2014 ATM</u>: The Planning Board felt well prepared for Town Meeting with little discussion.

3. Meeting Minutes:

- a. March 19, 2014: On a motion by Tom Roche and seconded by Brad Goodwin, the Planning Board voted (4-0-1) to approve the Planning Board meeting minutes of March 19, 2014; with Anthony Panebianco, Chris Vincent, Tom Roche, and Brad Goodwin voting in favor, and Norm Weare abstaining.
- 4. **ZBA Agenda & Decisions**: ZBA Agenda for April 10, 2014 was sent to the Board via email.
- 5. <u>Correspondence</u>: April 1, 2014 Memo from Karen Greene to the BOS regarding the Barnstable County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Plan was sent to Board via e-mail.
- 6. Board Items: None.
- 7. <u>Staff Update</u>: Upcoming agenda items include a lot release request for Walden Way and an amendment to the Special Permit for 251 Route 28. No permit applications for demolition permit for the Mill Hill Club have been submitted at this time.
- 8. Next Meeting: April 7, 2014 for Annual Town Meeting and April 16, 2014.
- 9. Adjournment:

VOTE: On a motion by Norm Weare, seconded by Anthony Panebianco, the board voted (5-0) unanimously to adjourn at 6:13 p.m.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Agenda April 2, 2014.
- Parkers River Bridge Replacement: March 28, 2014 memo from Kathy Williams, Town Planner, on 25% Progress Plans with attachments as outlined in the memo and PowerPoint presentation given at the meeting.
- Meeting Minutes: March 19, 2014.
- Miscellaneous Correspondence sent via e-mail since the last PB meeting:
 - i. April 1, 2014 Memo from Karen Greene to the BOS regarding the Barnstable County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Plan.
 - ii. ZBA Agenda for April 10, 2014.

Approved on <u>May 21, 2014:</u>

On a motion by Brad Goodwin and seconded by Anthony Panebianco, the Planning Board voted (4-0-1) to approve the Planning Board meeting minutes of April 2, 2014; with Anthony Panebianco, Chris Vincent, Tom Roche and Brad Goodwin voting in favor; and Ken Driscoll abstaining.