



Stratham Planning Board Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2019
Municipal Center, Selectmen's Meeting Room
10 Bunker Hill Avenue
Time: 7:00 PM

Members Present: David Canada, Member
Mike Houghton, Selectmen's Representative
Tom House, Member
Pamela Hollasch, Alternate Member
Robert Baskerville, Alternate Member
Robert Roseen, Member

Members Absent: Colin Lavery, Member

Staff Present: Tavis Austin, Town Planner

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Mr. House took roll call and Ms. Hollasch was asked to fill the vacancy of Mr. Lavery.

2. Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes

a. October 2, 2019

Ms. Hollasch made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of October 2, 2019 as presented. Mr. Houghton seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

3. Public Hearing(s):

a. Master Plan. *Town of Stratham Community Master Plan.* A Planning Board Public hearing in accordance with RSA 674:4 and 675:6.

Mr. Austin explained what edits were made to the Master Plan Draft. Mr. Austin said the changes were wording changes to help the document flow and he gave an example.

Mr. House read an email from Rebecca Mitchell about the Master Plan Hearing. She wrote she was unable to attend the hearing, but would like to suggest that the current images are too heavily colored. She continued with some suggestions for different images.

37 Mr. Austin continued to read the edits.

38 Nathan Kelly from Horsley Witten Group shared who provided comments to the
39 Plan. He specifically wanted to discuss Ms. Hollasch's comment about changing
40 the word 'affordable' in the vision statement.

41 Ms. Hollasch said that she thought it should be 'accessible' instead so that it would
42 be inclusive of all demographics. There was discussion on the different meanings
43 of the words.

44 Mr. Kelly continued reviewing the edits.

45 Mr. Roseen commented on the photos in the plan suggesting they change some of
46 them to local pictures. He said he would send an email on what specific photos he
47 wanted to change.

48 Mr. Canada made a motion to open the public hearing and Ms. Hollasch seconded
49 which passed unanimously.

50 Pat Elwell from the Conservation Commission had some comments on the photos
51 in the Plan and suggested a caption would be helpful to know what is being shown
52 in the images.

53 Bruno Federico commented that he is impressed with the document.

54 Mr. Austin asked if they want to close the public hearing or continue the hearing
55 and have a reprint of the draft with all the edits included.

56 Mr. Canada would like to continue the hearing and see the revised documents.

57 Mr. Houghton made a motion to continue the public hearing to November 20, 2019
58 and request the Planning Board receive the final document by November 6th 2019.
59 Ms. Hollasch seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
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61 **4. Public Meeting:**

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63 a. None.

64 65 **5. Adjournment**

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67 Mr. Canada made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM and Ms. Hollasch
68 seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
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70 Note(s):

- 71 1. Materials related to the above meeting are available for review at the Municipal Center during
72 normal business hours. For more information, contact the Stratham Planning Office at 603-772-
73 7391.
- 74 2. The Planning Board reserves the right to take items out of order and to discuss and/or vote on items that
75 are not listed on the agenda.