

Duxbury Planning Commission

Draft Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2018

Members present: Alan Quackenbush, Doug Weber, Bill Whitehair

Others present: David Specht

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Alan Quackenbush.

Agenda changes: none

Minutes: On motion by Doug/Bill, the minutes of February 22, 2018 meeting were approved as written.

Public comment: David Specht asked the Planning Commission to consider supporting his request to remove Sec. 4.6 from the proposed Land Development Regulation. He is proposing that a citizen group be formed to study the buffer issue and come up with some acceptable ideas.

After a brief discussion, the Planning Commission does not support the removal of Sec. 4.6.

Election of Officers: Alan was elected chair by motion of Doug/Bill; Doug was elected vice-chair by motion of Alan/Bill. Alan will also serve as clerk. Meetings will continue on 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30pm

Notes from the April 9, 2018 Selectboard hearing on the draft Land Development Regulations:

Alan reviewed a list of some of the comments brought up at the hearing:

- Adding hydro as an alternative energy source
- Reducing the size of required landscaping trees from 3" to 1 and ½ inches
- Remove the requirement to have scale drawings submitted with permit applications
- Reconcile the proposed map changes of the village district with the written definition of the village district; remove cemetery parcel from the state farm district and include in the village district
- Eliminate sec. 4.6 from the regulations
- Prohibit building in the flood zone
- New regulations are over restrictive; prefer less regulation
- Clarify the treatment of parcels in more than one district
- Clarify the use of the VT Atlas referred to in sec. 4.6
- Clarify the definition/wording of accessory dwelling in sec. 5.5

Alan and Bill will attend the next selectboard meeting on April 23 when these and other issues will be further discussed.

Other business: none

Next meeting: May 10, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the town garage meeting room.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55pm.

Minutes by: Alan Quackenbush