

## Duxbury Planning Commission

### Meeting Minutes September 8, 2011

Members present: Erica Campbell, Trevor Cole, Brian Fitzgerald, Garrett MacCurtain, Rick Scharf

The meeting was called to order at 6:41 p.m. by Brian Fitzgerald

**Minutes:** On motion by Garrett/Rick, the minutes of the August 11, 2011 meeting were approved as written.

**Town Roads:** There was a wide ranging discussion of the town's roads and some of the issues raised at the September 1 community meeting. While no action was taken, there was agreement that there is a need for the town to take a long-range look at its road system and think about issues of sustainability in light of more frequent, large magnitude floods. It may be necessary to make long-term investments in redesign and, in some cases, relocation of roads and bridges to avoid future flood damage and the resulting disruption. New roads should be located so as to avoid encroaching on streams to avoid stream/infrastructure conflicts. There was also discussion of gathering data on where the town road crew invests its time to identify road sections that require more extensive or frequent reconstruction.

The next meeting of the roads committee is September 13.

**State Farm Development:** Erica and Brian attended the August 23 Act 250 site visit and pre-hearing conference for the state farm development. The planning commission is a statutory party to the proceeding, as is the selectboard. Contrary to reporting in the *Waterbury Record* neither body expressed opposition to the proposal, but we will participate in the process to assure that certain issues are adequately addressed. Transportation impacts, both motorized and pedestrian, were of interest to several parties and potential parties. The commission will hold a hearing on September 28. The planning commission will be represented.

**Town plan:** No developments since the last meeting. Erica will be looking into possibilities for municipal planning grants to assist with the town plan revision.

**Town Emergency Plan:** There was brief discussion of what a town emergency plan should include. The commission will look at some examples at the next meeting.

**Next Meeting:** October 13 at 6:30 p.m., in the town garage meeting room.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Minutes by B.T. Fitzgerald