

# Dover Long Range Planning Committee

April 2, 2013

Attendees: Jim Dawley, Jack Donoghue, Rich Forté, Mark Sarro, Peter Smith,  
Wally Weld

Location: Town Garage Meeting Room

*Mr. Donoghue called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm*

## 1. Approval of minutes of prior meetings

Mr. Weld moved that the minutes of the March 5 meeting be approved, seconded by Mr. Donoghue. The motion was approved unanimously by all who had been in attendance.

## 2. Master Plan Follow-up

The Planning Board will formally present the 2012 Master Plan to the Board of Selectmen in April. After that, the Selectmen will formally charge this committee with periodically inquiring with the various boards and committees in the Recommendations section as to their activities and progress. Mr. Smith circulated a re-formatted version of the Recommendations, grouped by responsible authority, and also grouped by Long Range Planning Committee liaison.

## 3. Town Meeting Warrant

The Warrant for Annual Town Meeting has been signed and posted. Going over the Warrant, it was noted that there are three articles whose implementation might involve this committee's attention in the future.

- Article 12 would require Town Meeting approval for projects on Town-owned land where less than half the cost comes from budgetary appropriations. Mr. Dawley summarized the Selectmen's discussions on the matter. Mr. Sarro noted that the Planning Board will be discussing it at their April 29 meeting.
- Article 17 requests funds for detailed planning to convert the rail line through town into a recreational path. For the project to advance from the current exploratory stage a land survey and environmental review are necessary, which will require professional expertise. Also, a detailed contract with Iron Horse Conservancy would need to be drawn up and agreed to.
- Article 18 proposes a moratorium on siting a medical marijuana dispensary in Dover. State requirements and regulations are still in flux, and local planning is not possible until such are complete.

It was agreed that while all these matters could someday require LRPC involvement, they all lie in the future. This committee will offer no formal opinions yea or nay at this time.

*Mr. Smith moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Sarro;  
the motion was agreed by consensus at 8:05 pm  
the next meeting will be May 7 at 7:00 pm at the Town Garage*

Respectfully submitted,  
Peter Smith, Secretary

*Approved May 7, 2013*