

Dover Long Range Planning Committee

May 7, 2013

Attendees: Jack Donoghue, Sue Sheridan, 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

Mrs. Sheridan moved that the minutes of the January 8 meeting be approved, seconded by Mr. Weld. The motion was approved unanimously by all who had been in attendance.

2. Master Plan

If they have not already, we expect the Board of Selectmen to approve this Committee's role in tracking progress on the new Master Plan's recommendations shortly. At our next meeting we will draft a letter to be sent out in the fall introducing ourselves to the other boards and committees.

3. Town Meeting

The previous night's Annual Town Meeting was discussed, particularly those articles which we focused on in our April meeting as having possible long-term ramifications.

- Article 12 (bylaw to bring large, privately-funded projects on Town land to Town Meeting) was approved. There remain doubts as to whether it will pass scrutiny by the Attorney General's office.
- Article 17 (rail trail feasibility study) was not approved. Further progress will require private funding.
- Article 18 (moratorium on medical marijuana treatment facility) was approved, so the matter is off the table for a year.
- Mr. Smith noted the Regional School's use of borrowing for small maintenance items rather than funding them in the operating budget. He will inquire with the Warrant and Capital Budget Committees as to whether this will be a long-term trend or just a temporary reaction to budget constraints in the member towns.

*Mr. Weld moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Sheridan;
the motion was agreed by consensus at 7:35 pm*

The next meeting will be June 4 at 7:00 pm at the Town Garage

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Smith, Secretary

approved November 5, 2013