Planning Board Meeting  
July 18, 2009  
Frye Island Community Center

Present: Steve Kaplan, chairman, Bob Sutherland, Dave Treacy, Ron Cedrone, Sam Donio

Absent: Ed Johnson

Attendees: Peter and Nanci Salinger 217, Wayne Fournier 1113, Town Manager, Marge Hommel 68, Bobbie Aranyi 271

The chairman brought the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

Agenda

Minutes and Correspondence

Bob Sutherland moved to accept the minutes of the 6/27/09 meeting as submitted; seconded by Sam Donio with approval from all.

Old Business

MMA Workshop

Steve reminded the members about the MMA Workshop which will be held at the Paris, Maine Fire Station on Sept. 22, 2009 from 6-9 pm and asked if anyone was interested in going. Ron Cedrone said he would like to attend. Steve will submit his name.

Flood Plain

Steve asked Wayne if the flood plain had changed on the island as he had heard rumor that some people were having difficulty getting house insurance or were facing increased premiums due to being in a flood zone. Wayne stated there had been no changes.

Renewal of terms for Planning Board members

Bob Sutherland will go down to see Wayne this afternoon to sign up for another 3 year term as a Planning Board voting member.
Comprehensive Plan

Steve stated he wanted to make a concerted effort to revise and update the Comp Plan assignments. He said the Comp Plan needs to be totally completed by 2014; however, Steve’s goal is to have it done by the end of the 2010 season.

Current Comprehensive Plan Committee

Ron Cedrone: Transportation
   Telephone Service
   Solid Waste
   *Changes to the Town Charter (new assignment)

He also noted that his personal phone number had changed to 207-756-0561 (cell)

Ed Charrette: Not present. Steve will contact Ed to see if he is still interested in covering his previous assignment.

Sam Donio: Recreation and Beaches
   Public facilities and services
   Access to public space
   Sam and Nancy Donio: Beaches/ lot numbers with goals for future planning of beaches*
      (new assignment)

Dave Bond: Transportation
   Phone: 655-7147  297 Leisure…. fryeislandislandguy@verizon.net

Marge Hommel: Will keep the assignment for updating the Land Use Map, but is resigning all the other assignments.

Marge brought in an enlarged Land Use Map-cut in sections and asked each person to take 2 or 3 sections, ride around the island and update what is on each lot number Marge stated this map was created from the Grand List which is used for the tax base. Steve suggested going to the CEO and find out who got building permits within the last four years and spend special time checking those lots.

Steve stated that when he and Harry were circling Ridge Road for the pipe lines, many homes do not have the house number posted or the numbers are way back and on the house only where the numbers cannot be seen from the street. Wayne will follow-up with a notice in the FINS regarding house numbering requirements.

For those doing the survey, Marge requested if a house and a merged lot appear to be reversed to please make a note on the map.

Ed Johnson: Rescue and police, fire department.
Steve Kaplan: Water and resource management
   Use/ capacity of electricity
Bob Sutherland: Update all building and permit fees from 2001 to the present.
Cottage growth

Steve suggested that Bob can get the permit information from the CEO. He stated that this is extremely important information as it indicates how fast the island is growing as related to water needs, roads etc. It is the foundation in driving the Comp Plan. Steve stated that Joe Potts, John Thompson and Wayne can help Bob get the information.

Dave Treacy: Historic and archeological resources
Goals, objectives and policies
General proof reading

Wayne Fournier: Town Staffing
    Budgets
    Fiscal capacity
    Long –range budget
*Liaison between the BOS/ Executive Committee and the Planning Board (new assignment)

BOS/Executive committee: Schools

All: Goals, objectives and policies
    Section 4
    Review Section 5.16

Wayne stressed the importance of updating the Comp Plan in providing data to support and identify the future needs of the community. The Comp Plan provides goals and objectives for the future and is the basis for every thing we do. He also stressed the need for a central point to store this information.

Steve asked Wayne to be a liaison between the Planning Board and the BOS/ Executive Committee. He also added that he would like to add an additional category called cohesiveness for putting all the information together in one place.

At this point Steve introduced Peter Salinger who volunteered to replace Marge Hommel as an alternate member of the Planning Board. He stated Peter has great communication and people skills. In addition, Peter has strong analytical and computer skills. Steve recommended using Peter to be the coordinator for putting all the information together on the Comp Plan. The BOS/ Executive will be voting on Peter at their meeting on 7/25/09 regarding his becoming an alternate member.

There was some discussion regarding the length of terms for the Planning Board voting members and the alternates. Wayne stated that the Charter for the Planning Board states that the Planning Board should be a board consisting of five members with up to two
alternates with three year terms; however, Wayne did state that the alternates have typically served one year terms.

Ron Cedrone stated he did not have a copy of the Planning Board Manual and would like to have one to use. Wayne said he had an extra copy in the office and would give it to him. Wayne also stated that when members of the various boards resign, the chairman should ask for the manuals to be returned.

New Business

Open fires

Wayne brought up the issue of open fires on the island and stated there had been problems with some of the renters having open fires for toasting marshmallows etc. He stated that we need to have an ordinance in place to define and prohibit open fires in order to be able to enforce the rules. He also stated that it was the responsibility of the Planning Board to develop the ordinance.

Steve stated he would like to get clarification of what defines an open fire. He asked Ron Cedrone to get information on Maine’s Fire Marshall’s regulations regarding open fires.

No further subjects were brought up for discussion.

The next meeting will be Saturday, August 1, 2009 at 8:30 am.

Bon Sutherland moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Sam Donio with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Inez “Smitty” Kaplan, Recording Secretary