

RUTLAND TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2016
7:00 P.M.
RUTLAND TOWN MUNICIPAL OFFICE

Present: Ms. Barbara Pulling, Mr. John Snee, Mr. Howard Burgess, Mr. Dana Peterson, Mr. Norman Cohen, Mr. Jerry Stearns, Mr. Andrew McKane, Mr. Alan Biederman, Mr. Fred Nicholson

- Meeting called to order by Ms. Pulling at 7:03 P.M.
- Mr. McKane moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Peterson made a second to the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- The Commission reviewed the Thursday, August 8, 2016 minutes. Ms. Pulling pointed out a minor correction of adding an “and” to the first paragraph regarding the Key Collision Act 250 Permit discussion. Mr. McKane moved to approve the minutes with the correction. Mr. Stearns made a second to the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Mr. Burgess, Mr. Peterson and Mr. Cohen abstained from the vote.

Public Comment/Questions:

- There were none.

New Business:

Key Collision Act 250 Site Visit and Hearing on Tuesday, October 18, 2016

- Ms. Pulling informed the Commission the Act 250 Site Visit and hearing for Key Collision has been scheduled for Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. at the site.
- Ms. Pulling cited a letter from Town Fire Chief Mr. Frank Cioffi regarding his concerns of no sprinkler system and low water supply at the Key Collision site. Ms. Pulling stated Mr. Cioffi would like to be involved in the application process during the preliminary plat review to raise issues sooner.

- Town Representative to the Rutland Regional Planning Commission Mr. Fred Nicholson asked if the Commission or Act 250 have the legal authority to require additional regulations. Mr. Biederman stated it is the Act 250 District Coordinator's responsibility to determine if an Act 250 application is complete relating to the ten criteria of the application.

Old Business:

Rutland Southern Vermont Regional Airport language for proposed Town Plan:

- Mr. Biederman presented proposed language created by Rutland Southern Vermont Regional Airport Manager Mr. Chris Beitzel and Mr. Biederman for the proposed Town Plan and explained the reasoning behind it.
- Mr. Biederman stated the language should be in the transportation section of the Town Plan.
- Ms. Pulling suggested the proposal use the correct language of "Rutland Southern Vermont Regional Airport" rather than "Rutland Airport".
- Mr. Peterson moved to accept the amended proposal. Mr. Biederman made a second to the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Zoning Language from the Select Board:

- Ms. Pulling presented language the Rutland Town Select Board wants to change in the proposed Town Plan under the "Strategy in the Economic Development" section on page 24 of the proposed Town Plan regarding zoning.
- Mr. Biederman said that the Town should not approve zoning purely because of Act 250. Mr. Biederman stated that zoning has more to do with economic preservation and conservation than economic development.
- Mr. Cohen stated that if zoning is adopted it should be for an overall purpose rather than a limited purpose.
- Mr. McKane moved to keep the language that is currently in the Town Plan. Mr. Peterson made a second to the motion. Motion passed 5-2. Mr. Cohen and Ms. Pulling voted in the negative.
- Ms. Pulling informed the Commission the hearings regarding the adoption of the Town Plan will be Thursday, November 1st, 2016 and Thursday November 15th at 7:00 P.M.

- Mr. Biederman reported to the Commission on the meeting with the Select Board regarding View Sheds on Tuesday, October 14, 2016.
- Ms. Pulling informed the Commission about Act 174 which addresses regional and town energy plans and a workshop that will be held at the Rutland Regional Planning Commission on Thursday, October 18, 2016 at from 5:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.
- Mr. Peterson moved to adjourn. Mr. Biederman made a second to the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 P.M.