

Sutton Planning Commission  
Minutes of meeting 2-26-19  
6:00 PM, Sutton Town Office

In attendance: Paul Brouha (chair), Lucien Belanger, Hank Parker, Darlene Ahrens, [Sutton PC], Martha Tack

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 P.M. Introductions were made. There were no additions or deletions to the proposed agenda.

Paul read the draft minutes of the PC meeting on 1-22-19. Darlene moved acceptance with the change being made that It was the sense of the group that a stipend for Commission members was not appropriate. Hank seconded. Motion passed.

Old business. The PC discussed the changes to the draft Town Plan made by the Selectboard as a result of their review and two public hearings. After a discussion concerning how best to characterize milk prices, members agreed to remove the specific price/hundredweight and use the term “low” instead. Also, it was agreed to correct the text in the following sentence to insert “has declined” between “...Caledonia County” and “to a...” Hank moved to approve the changes and to resubmit the Plan for approval by the Selectboard. Lucien seconded. Motion passed.

In refining the Energy Committee plans for 2019 the group went over the history of its creation and noted Rich Nicol had stated his willingness to serve as a member but not to serve as chair. Darlene Ahrens volunteered to serve as chair and stated she would go to the planned NVDA Energy Committee seminar on March 20<sup>th</sup>. She asked for suggestions regarding who to approach to serve on the committee. Members suggested Dave Buzzell, Dave Powers, Nancy Vincent, Gwen Kinney, and Martha Tack. Martha agreed to serve. Darlene indicated she would ask those people and would craft plans after she, Rich Nicol, Byron Savoy, and Martha attend the March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The Commission next discussed the planned survey of Sutton residents and landowners. Martha presented copies of the 2002 Survey and a general discussion ensued as to what the PC really wanted to learn. The group went over the recent Town of Westfield survey questions and discussed which questions they liked or disliked and what the objective for each question was. It was agreed members would review the 2002 Survey and come to the next meeting prepared to discuss it. Martha will look for a summary of the responses to the 2002 Survey. It was agreed Paul would ask the Selectboard to review the Westfield survey and to provide comments concerning what questions should be included in the planned survey.

Paul informed the group that the Selectboard had deferred action concerning PC appointments until after Town Meeting.

New business. Paul described what process had been used to update the Mylar Checklist, (2-25-19 Revision) and noted Shane Clark, Truline Land Surveyors had provided the final review. The Checklist will be posted in the Documents section of the Town of Sutton website. Hank moved to approve the Checklist. Darlene seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Hank agreed to chair the next regular meeting on March 26<sup>th</sup>.

Hank moved to adjourn. Darlene seconded. After a vote, the meeting adjourned at 8:06 P.M.

These minutes prepared by Paul Brouha, Chair.