

Freedom Planning Board November 20, 2014

Members Present: Jean Marshall, Anne Cunningham, Peter Park, Bill Elliott, Maynard Thomson, Janet Meyers

Members Absent: Les Babb

Others Present: Dianne Park, Jennifer Molin, Paul Elie, Bob Smart, Ned Hatfield, Laura Thompson, Marcia Trook, Patrick Marks, Scott Cunningham, Lee Fritz, Paul Olzerowicz
Minutes recorded by Dianne Park

Meeting called to order at 7:03pm.

Minutes

A motion was made by Peter, seconded by Jean, to approve the minutes from October 16, 2014 as amended. All were in favor.

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Community Survey

Board member gave their opinions on the look of the survey.

- Use larger print
- Use legal size paper

Content:

Question #1 ó Eliminate question #1 and add to question #3

Question #2 ó Add columns for ~~none~~ and ~~all~~

Question #3 ó a ó delete ~~Children fill the school~~

- Reword the question but keep the content the same
- Separate questions on school
- d ó Remove ~~perhaps another store or coffee shop~~ and add ~~commercial activity~~

Question #4 ó Add percentages for today as a point of reference

- Add group for single people

Question #5 - Add more categories (ex. Waterfront Housing, etc.)

- Have #5 read ~~What do you think about the level of housing development in Freedom?~~

Question #6 ó Add ~~group homes~~ to the list

Question #7 ó Have #7 read ~~How important do you feel the following will be to your view of Freedom's future~~

- Add category for ~~clinics/laboratory~~

Question #8 ó Separate historic from environmental

- Combine question #2 and question #8
- Move historic to question #9

Question #9 ó Have the third statement read: ~~Add to Expand the commercial district to promote job opportunities and expand tax base~~

- On the second statement: change ~~that~~ to ~~to~~
- Add examples for statement one (Water Quality and Wildlife Habitat)

Question #10 ó Add ~~support tourism~~

Check future meeting minutes for any amendments or changes to these minutes.

- Add ~~Reduce~~ energy consumption in town buildings
- Question #11 ó Add a question looking at #10 & #11 asking if people would be willing to increase taxes for services
- Question #12 ó Board voted to keep this question for reference purposes

Additional Comments

- Add space for comments
- Post in newspaper that survey is in the post office for viewing before it gets sent out

Update on Proposed Zoning Changes

- 10% Rule ó Anne will check into the possibility of adding an Erosion Control Ordinance. If that can be done, then change Section 310.1.5 as proposed, if not then wait and do both changes at the same time.

- Living Space ó Peter, Jean, Bill and Ned submitted a new definition for living space.

Proposed definition:

Living space ó Living space is space used for recreational activities, sleeping, storage, or other uses accessory to the primary home. Living space cannot include a stove and/or other cooking appliances and does not require a permit. Inclusion of a stove or other cooking appliances makes the space a dwelling unit and requires a permit from the Zoning Officer.

The board decided to add the sentence ~~If living space is used for sleeping the configuration of the space must comply with life safety regulations.~~ There was a motion by Janet, seconded by Jean, to put the proposed definition of living space, with the addition of the sentence about complying with life safety regulations, on the 2015 ballot. All were in favor.

- Article 3, Section 304.6.5.7 - add ~~a~~ NH licensed forester or certified arborist~~to~~ Article 3 Section 304.6.5.7.

- Section 907 ó Manufactured Housing ó Leave alone
- Definition of Structure ó Ned withdrew this request

Mapping ó Jean Marshall

Jean presented a new map showing what the Zoning Ordinance states. Freedom Village Rd. has double zoning. Jean will further define conservation lands and town properties.

Set Calendar for Public Hearings

December ó Finalize Survey

January ó Hold all public hearings and send out survey.

There was a motion by Peter, seconded by Janet, to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 9:25pm.

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