

1 Richmond Planning Commission

2 Wednesday, June 28, 2017

3 ****Special Meeting****

4 **Approved Minutes**

5 **Members Present:** Brian Tellstone, Sean Foley, Mark Fausel, Alex Brosam, Joy Reap, Alison
6 Anand

7 **Absent:** Lauck Parke

8 **Others Present:** Wright Preston, Brad Elliot, Clare Rock (Staff)

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10 Public Comment – na

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12 Administrative Items & Updates

- 13 - Approve meeting minutes – May 3, 2017 & June 7, 2017

14 Will have to wait until additional members are present to approve the May 3, 2017 minutes.

15 Motion by Fausel to approve the June 7, 2017 minutes, seconded by Tellstone, all in favor. So
16 voted.

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18 - Updates

19 Rock reported on the following:

- 20 - Local Motion Pedestrian Pop Up Project – this was implemented the past
21 week with 3 volunteers from the Trails Committee. Unfortunately it rained the
22 following day and compromised the temporary crosswalks.
- 23 - Water Quality meeting summery – Rock provided an update on the recent
24 water quality meeting held in Richmond and hosted by the CCRPC. CCRPC
25 will be helping Richmond undertake a Stormwater Management Plan, to help
26 meet the requirements of the Clean Water Act (Act 64), CCRPC gave a
27 presentation on this topic. The State will also be undertaking a update to the
28 Winooski Watershed Tactical Basin Plan, Karen Bates, Watershed
29 Coordinator was present to talk about this process. They wanted to solicit
30 information from town. Rock distributed the handout “Information Request to
31 Municipalities” from CCRPC, the CCRPC would like to have town input on
32 where there are water quality related projects happening in town. Alex asked
33 if the handout with the CCRPC presentation was available electronically,
- 34 - DRB Update on the Cochran’s Application – Rock briefly mentioned that
35 Cochran’s would like to ask the DRB to better define a “Recreation Facility”
36 and would like to host a more diverse range of year round activities at their
37 property.

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39 Town Plan

- 40 - Natural and Working Lands – continued review
41 o Continued review of latest draft from Conservation Commission dated
42 5/12/2017. The PC had the following comments:

43 Page 25:

44 Strike action on bottom of line 25

45 Page 26:

46 Keep alternative action on page 26, line 5

- 1 Page 26:
- 2 Move the “slope development suitability” chart on page 26, into the body of the chapter.
- 3 On page 27:
- 4 Modify action on line 2 to read “Participate in the development and implementation
- 5 of...watershed level...”
- 6 Page 27:
- 7 Revisit bullet on line 9
- 8 Strike action on line 23,
- 9 Page 28:
- 10 Keep action on line 1, and change to “Improve protections for water quality, downstream
- 11 properties, fish habitat, and wildlife habitat and travel corridors by increasing the naturally
- 12 vegetated buffers along perennial streams, wetlands and vernal pools. Increase the length of
- 13 naturally vegetative buffers along perennial streams, wetlands and vernal pools to improve
- 14 protections for water quality, downstream properties, fish habitat and important wildlife habitat
- 15 and travel corridors.” (delete reference to 5 years – merging a portion of the bullet from below,
- 16 on line 8.)
- 17 Strike action on line 8,
- 18 Keep action on line 14
- 19 Strike bullet on line 19
- 20 Page 29
- 21 Remove bullet on line 4
- 22 Remove bullet on line 7
- 23 Keep bullet on line 12
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- 25 Discussion about the use of the foot notes and terms like “according to best management
- 26 practices...” instead consider language something like this “by referencing best management
- 27 practices as defined by the VT ANR”
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- 29 PC member also suggested adding language about the protection of the Bridge Street Bridge
- 30 abutments, municipal well head field, and Volunteers Green – these types of actions could be
- 31 added the Chapter titled Safe and Resilient Community
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- 33 Discussion ended on page 29 line 15 Floodplains
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- 35 **Next meeting will be held on July 12 5-7 pm.**
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- 37 Adjourn
- 38 Tellstone made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Reap, all in favor. So voted.
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- 40 The meeting ending at 9:00pm
- 41 Respectfully submitted by Clare Rock, Town Planner
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