

WENTWORTH PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES 9-13-2021

Sonia Scheller, Palmer Koelb, John Meade and Marina Reilly-Collette Present

6:40 Marina Reilly Collette call the meeting to order

6:41- Amended August Meeting Minutes were provided electronically prior to this meeting.

Sonia Scheller makes a motion to accept as written Palmer Koelb seconds Motion passes unanimously

6:42- Open discussion concerning the master plan survey questionnaire. It appears many of the recipients disposed of the card with links to the survey as junk mail. It was decided to send out a second EDDM with an extended date of 15 October. We will post on the town Forum as well As in the Selectboard meetings that a second mailer will be sent out.

Clarification of date extension to 15 October as well as every adult in the household may submit a survey. Marina Reilly-Collette to send amended direction to June Garneau. As of last night there are 135 electronic survey and 5 hard copies at town office. Compiling 140. We would desire double this number.

The Selectboard was sent many inquiries concerning the survey question tone that the Planning Board is looking to have Zoning in the town. It has also been stated on Facebook that the Planning Board is against commercial development in Wentworth. The board discussed that as a whole both statements are incorrect. The planning board crafted the survey with feedback to find how the town wants to see commercial growth. As a board we are privy to information from Bethlehem NH where Industrial development to place a landfill for private ventures was being forced on the town without zoning or protection. Commercial growth in Wentworth is desired by this board stated John Meade. However it should align to the wishes of the master plan and be reviewed that it is being proposed that way.

Marina Reilly- Collette stated that she as one would not sit on the board any further if Zoning were enacted in Wentworth. Sonia Scheller and John Meade echoed the same beliefs.

The Post Meeting of the survey was discussed and the ability of all boards in Wentworth as well user groups (Snowmobile Club, ATV Club, Historical Society and so on) should each file a survey as well as speak to their wishes. This will carry equal weight on final compilation of the Master Plan.

7:04 John Meade makes a motion to adjourn. Sonia Scheller Seconds Passes unanimously.

Next Meeting 4 October 2021