

Canaan Planning Board Meeting of October 27, 2016 Mascoma Senior Center Minutes

Call to Order

7:00 John Bergeron called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Members John Bergeron, Barbara Dolyak, Chuck Townsend and Chris Wadsworth were present. John Bergeron appointed alternate member Claude Lemoi to substitute for Carol Ann Morrison, and alternate member Jonathan Garthwaite to substitute for Arnold Song.

Others Attending: none

Minutes Review

Chuck Townsend read the minutes of the meeting on Oct 13, 2016. Claude Lemoi moved and Chris Wadsworth seconded the motion to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was passed.

Discussion of Placement of a Cell Tower near Fernwood Farm Lane

John Bergeron distributed a draft letter to the Architectural Historian at EBI Consulting listing historic sites that would be impacted by a cell tower at the site proposed. During discussion addition of a sentence that would suggest the other available sites which would have less impact on historic properties. Claude Lemoi made a motion and Jonathan Garthwaite seconded the motion to approve submission of the draft letter with the additional sentence. The motion passed.

Discussion of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for 2017-2022

Claude Lemoi, the planning board representative to the Capital Improvement Program Committee, described the process used in preparing the CIP, giving credit to Mike Samson for his major contribution to the report preparation. He then went over the plan recommendations. Chris Wadsworth noted that there is nothing included about improvements that could reduce flooding in the downtown area. Chris Wadsworth also suggested that there are other desirable improvements that do not fall into the interest areas of current town departments, such as, f.e., sidewalk improvements and tree planting. The CIP recommends creation of two new capital reserve accounts, for building improvement and for bridges. John Garthwaite made a motion to add an indication in Tables 2 through 6 where non-capital items are included in the listing, and Chuck Townsend seconded the motion. The planning board approved the motion. John Garthwaite made a motion to approve the plan with amendments we had discussed. Barbara Dolyak seconded that motion and it was approved.

Discussion of Master Plan

Jonathan Garthwaite discussed his development of criteria for town facility status assessment and improvement planning with the board.

Adjournment

9:00 Chuck Townsend moved adjournment with a second from Jonathan Garthwaite. The board approved of this motion.

Respectfully submitted Chuck Townsend, Vice Chair