

Minutes

Planning Board Meeting

February 4, 2010

Members of the Planning Board in attendance were Charles Moreno, Chairman, Paul Eaton, James Graham, and Don Rhodes.

The Chairman called the public meeting to order at 7:40 PM and announced the members present. The closing date for applications to appear on the agenda for the March 4, 2010 regular meeting will be 5 p.m., Tuesday, January 19, 2010. The Chairman reminded the audience that the Board has a policy setting time limits for meetings and that the Board will not consider any new business after 10:30 PM.

There was no formal or informal business before the Board. Board members noted that it had been several months since the Board had had an opportunity to review minutes. After a brief review, Paul Eaton made a motion to accept the minutes from the period September through January with a few minor corrections to the names listed in the January minutes. Jim Graham seconded the motion, there was no further discussion, and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Board members then discussed communications from Cynthia Copeland at SRPC, who has advised that the Board still qualifies for technical assistance under the Clean Water Act ARRA funding. Ms Copeland suggested that land use regulation updates, including the identification of agricultural soils and discussion of strategies for conservation of prime soils, would qualify for the funding, as well as the proposal to update stormwater regulations. Board members agreed it would be helpful to have a copy of the high resolution aerial photos for Strafford as well as a copy of Fish and Game's Wildlife Action Plan map. Board members also briefly discussed updating application requirements to include a requirement for electronic submissions. Rochester recently adopted similar rules, so local surveyors would be familiar with the requirement, which would help with the distribution of information to Board members and could save time and postage costs.

Board members then reviewed recent correspondence. There being no further business before the Board, it was moved, seconded and voted to adjourn at 10:15 pm.

