

Office of Planning & Codes

WISCASSET ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE.

Minutes, January 12, 2015

Present: Al Cohen, Larry Lomison, Jackie Lowell, Karl Olson, and Town Planner Jamel Torres

1. Call to Order

Chairman Karl Olson called the meeting to order at 5 p.m.

2. Approve December 8, 2014 minutes

Al Cohen moved to approve the minutes. Vote 4-0-0.

3. Discussion: Scheduling a Public Meeting on the Historic Preservation Ordinance

A public meeting on the proposed Historic Preservation Ordinance will be held on January 26 at 5 p.m. Owners of property in the Historic District, Historic New England and the Historical Society will be invited. Notice will be put on the town's website and an article will be placed in local newspapers. Copies of the proposed ordinance will be on the town's website and available at the town office.

4. Discussion: Update on compliance issues with the Sign Ordinance

An inventory of signs in town is needed in order to enforce the ordinance which allows businesses three years to come into compliance. Jamel Torres will check with the Code Enforcement Officer regarding the status of a data base and with the town manager regarding the selectmen's position on enforcement of the ordinance.

5. Discussion: Future Land Use Plan

The map will be completed in the next few weeks in preparation for the Annual Town Meeting. Torres will advise the ORC of the time line for having the plan appear on the warrant. Standards for the Planned Unit District have not been determined.

6. Discussion: Route 1 Design Standards

The work on the standards is complete and Karl Olson is working on the map of the three Route 1 zones. After the Town Planner reviews it, it will be sent to the selectmen for their approval.

7. Discussion: Development of goals based on current and anticipated work through June Town Meeting

The Planned Unit District will be discussed at the next meeting.

8. Discussion: Filling the two vacant seats

Karl Olson is waiting for a reply from a potential candidate for the Ordinance Review Committee.

9. Other Business

Larry Lomison will be away the first two weeks in February and Al Cohen will be away for the month.

<u>10. Adjourn</u>

Al Cohen moved to adjourn at 5:37 p.m.