

ASHLAND PLANNING BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
January 9, 2013

Members Present: Susan MacLeod, Dan Golden, Gordon McCormick Jr., Fran Newton, Tony Randall

Members Absent: (with notice) Liz Cody, Bob Boyle (without notice)

Others Present: Cheryl Cox, Dave Jeffers, Amanda

The Public Hearing was called to order at 6:35 PM

Being no further comments on the wording of the proposed definition of "sign" to be added to the Ashland Zoning Ordinance, Section 10 Definitions, a motion to submit for warrant as written was made by Gordon McCormack and seconded by Fran Newton. Approved 4-0

Public Hearing closed at 6:42 PM

New business:

Carol Foss NH, Audubon , Dave Jeffers, Lakes Regional Planning Commission came to ask the board questions regarding the current regulations and ordinances and certain situations in town in order to complete the assessment work. The focus is on the planning documents and how they fit with NH State's smart growth principles for best value in using resources, with a planning perspective from Dave, and a natural resources perspective from Carol.

Questions regarding water and sewer, wellhead protection, ordinance inconsistency on overlay districts, mixed used in zones, maximum building percentages, cluster development, green space definition, site plan review requirements, the charrette and tax incentive programs all added to an overview of Ashland's strategies to manage development. Dave and Carol will use this information to finish a matrix showing how Ashland's Master Plan, ordinances and regulations conform, conflict or are neutral with the smart growth principles. A list of possible actions to take and resource material will also be included in this advisory document.

Carol requested photos of Ashland, especially of special land features. Fran will ask Eli Badger and Leigh Sharps. Gordon mentioned Bob Hicks may also have some. Email any to Carol ASAP.

Scheduled delivery date: Wed., Feb. 6, 2013 meeting. Back-up: Feb. 27 worksession.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Minutes taken by Susan MacLeod