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Development Review Board and Planning Commission Meeting September 12, 2019

Members Present: Mary Rudd, Vice Chair, Dave Wolniewicz, Brad Dewey, Kirsten De La Cruz
Anna Hopper and David Raphael, Chair
Others Present: Kris Perlee, Zoning Administrator, Joanne Garton, Agency of Natural Resources,
Angie Allen, Department of Environmental Conservation

Development Review Board

David Raphael called the meeting to order at 7:06pm.

No corrections or additions were made to the June minutes, which were approved and adopted. The August minutes were reviewed, approved, and adopted with no corrections or additions.

Kris Perlee updated the Board on the issue of BJ's signage along Panton Road, noting that some progress has been made. Discussion followed regarding the initial permit intentions and conditions for the retail establishment. The Board was also updated on the enforcement of the town junk ordinance.

Dave Wolniewicz moved to close DRB and open PC at 7:36pm. Kirsten De La Cruz seconded and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Planning Commission

The August minutes were accepted and approved as written.

David introduced guests Joanne Garton (Urban and Community forestry Program with the Agency of Natural Resources) and Angie Allen (Department of Environmental Conservation). Joanne gave a presentation on “Resilient Right of Ways,” exploring the Town’s opportunities to construct green stormwater infrastructure in the municipal ROW. Her ideas included making recommendations concerning private property discharge into ROWs, adding specifications to the town plan, and developing incentives for landowners to manage stormwater discharge before it enters the ROW. Discussion followed concerning the spread of the emerald ash borer into neighboring communities.

Angie Allen gave a presentation on her work in “tactical basin planning” with the ANR. This included discussion of nutrient loading, TMDL (total maximum daily load), and a watershed perspective of local waterways.

David updated the Board on the status of the Green Mountain Power screening planting north of Panton Rd. GMP will remove and replace all dead plantings within fall of 2019.

The Board discussed developments regarding the Vergennes truck bypass and its potential impacts on Panton, as the path of the bypass may likely enter Panton. There has been a request for a resolution of support from Panton, but the town has chosen to put the issue to a town-wide vote on Town Meeting Day.

Brad Dewey moved to adjourn at 9:22pm. Mary Rudd second and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Annie Hopper
DRB/PC Secretary