October 15, 2024 - 6:00 PM - Master Plan Committee Meeting Minutes - Working Meeting APPROVED MINUTES

Attendees: Emily Allen, Lisa Prince, John Harris, Michelle Hayward, April Ferguson, Ian Bresnahan.

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm by John Harris (acting chair).

John discussed that Alan has not received anything back from Cheryl Zajac regarding the survey questions yet, hopefully in November.

John reported that The Westmorelander will be out in January and the deadline for articles would be by November 22nd. John shared a draft of his article about the Master Plan that will be published in it. The Master Plan is scheduled to go out with The Westmorelander to save on postage and we are hoping to be able to put a self-addressed, stamped envelope included in order to facilitate a better return rate. Emily suggested that a link to the current 2016 Master Plan should also be in The Westmorelander. It was also discussed that the survey should have a return by date of 30 days printed on it.

Lisa brought up the MP budget being calendar year and maybe we could use 2024 funds to purchase refreshments for the Community Forum and order signs to be placed at all entrances to Westmoreland reminding residents to fill out the survey. John discussed we aren't sure what the postage will be for The Westmorelander yet. He will try to get an estimate. Alan has had discussions with the selectmen about the budget so he will ask Alan and we can address at our November meeting.

Emily asked if there will still be an online option for people to be able to take the survey and it was agreed that there will be. Emily has experience in this area so she will look into the best option. Discussion about the Community Forum that will be held on Saturday, November 9th from 9:30 – 11:00 AM. Location TBD whether it be Town Hall or School Gym. Possibility of childcare being provided will be followed up on by Lisa. The meeting will be split in half with the first part being Housing/Zoning and the second part being Solar/Wind Energy with time for Q&A for each. Lisa & April went over possible handouts and presentation for the forum. The plan is to get as many Planning & Zoning Board Members in attendance to be presenters of the topics. Solar Dave will also help. Advertising of the Forum will be via FB, Town Webpage, and sandwich board on Town Common.

Lisa let the MP Committee know that the Town of Chesterfield is offering Housing Forums currently through the InvestNH grant and South Western Regional Planning.

John made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 PM. Seconded by Ian. All were in favor.

NEXT MEETING: November 19th 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Minutes recorded and prepared by Lisa Prince.