

**TOWN OF CHESTER
PLANNING COMMISSION**

**April 18, 2016
Minutes**

PRESENT: Tom Bock; Tom Hildreth; Randall Wiggin; Claudio Veliz

VISITORS: Julie Hance; Michael Normyle

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Bock.

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

A motion was made by Randal Wiggin to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2016 meeting. Seconded by Claudio Veliz. The motion passed.

2. FINALIZE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT BYLAWS:

Julie Hance stated that a letter was submitted by Phil Perlah regarding concerns about some amendments to the new Unified Development Bylaws. Discussion ensued. It was agreed to leave these comments for Phil to present at the Planning Commission as there was confusion regarding his concerns.

A motion was made by Randal Wiggin to approve the Planning Commission Report and move the UDBs to public Hearing. Seconded by Tom Hildreth. The motion passed.

3. TOWN PLAN DISCUSSIONS:

Jason Rasmussen was present from the Regional Planning Commission to review the Flood Resilience Chapter and the Future Land Use Maps.

Jason Rasmussen reviewed the draft Flood Resilience Chapter with the Planning Commission. Discussion ensued regarding these policies and how the public can become educated. Julie Hance stated that she and David Pisha have been working on creating a "Welcome to Chester" packet which could include a copy of the UDBs.

The Planning Commission reviewed the Policies section of the Flood Resilience Chapter. Discussion ensued regarding the potential of adopting the River Corridor Maps and its impact.

The Planning Commission agreed to amend Flood Resilience Goals to say Our Flood Resilience Goals. In addition, remove items 2 and 3 from page 4.

The Planning Commission then reviewed the Future Land Use Maps that were presented by Jason Rasmussen. The Planning Commission agreed that what is presented is satisfactory as a draft for the grant purposes. These maps will be reviewed again after the Master Plan.

Tom Hildreth stated that he agreed with Carla Westine in that the town does not have an area designated for industrial development. He gave his opinion that the new 139 acre parcel could be a potential for this future development.

4. CITIZENS COMMENTS:

There were no citizen's comments.

5. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting was set for Monday, May 2, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. .

6. ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Randal Wiggin to adjourn. Seconded by Claudio Veliz. There being no further business at this time, the meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Julie Hance
Planning Director

Thomas Bock
Chairman of the Planning
Commission