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Planning/Zoning/Comprehensive Plan update

Code Task Force

April 10, 2006

Meeting Notes

Attending: Tom Shepstone, Mike Baden, Sue Blickstein, Steve Fornal, Bev Schoonmaker, Brenda Striano, Walter Levy

Meeting was called to order by Mike Baden

Working with Tom Shepstone the Task Force began drafting High Priority issues for discussion and update:

Sue Blickstein led a discussion on the draft maps created from Town, County and State information. The Town has a zoning district known as Floodplain and it appears this district does not accurately coincide with FEMA floodzones. It was discussed and agreed that because the FEMA floodzone is an ever changing area it makes sense for the Town to drop its FloodZone Zoning designation and create a floating Overlay Zone which will always correspond to the FEMA Zone so as to be more accurate. The previous properties designated by the Town Floodzone would be reinstated to the Zoning districts they would be in if not in a Floodplain but all properties encompassed by the FEMA floodzone would also have that second designation.

It was also explained that a town does not have to have an "Official Map" in order to have a "Zoning Map" (a misconception on the part of several people). The Code Task Force will concentrate first on creating an accurate Zoning Map and the Official Map will follow later.

Mike Baden provided Sue Blickstein with maps and a CD-Rom prepared by Barry Medenbach for our use. These will be checked against the info from the County and State.

Tom Shepstone provided a revised draft of a Conservation Subdivision Plan and the Task Force continued review and made changes.

Next meeting is 2 May 2006 at Town Hall, 7:00 – 8:30 PM