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Minutes for February 14, Meeting, 2017 (Draft)

Present: Peter Anderson, Paul Kristensen, Sue Sellew, Kevin Gish, Ira Clark (taking minutes)

Public present: none

Peter Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Draft minutes from the 1/10/16 SPC meeting were reviewed and approved with some corrections. Ira to forward revisions to Margy.

Planning Commissioners met with Richard Root. There was consensus among all that Richard Root would submit a subdivision application concerning his parcels F01050L2 and F01050L3. He was informed that he must demonstrate access to a public right-of-way to both parcels and that a survey of all acreage is required, inclusive of desired internal boundaries.

Planning Commissioners discussed the status of review of Norwich Technologies' application for a Certificate of Public Good to locate a 500kW solar facility on Rte. 132. It was agreed a joint teleconference with the Selectboard and the Town Attorney is necessary prior to the March 14 pre-hearing conference. Sue Sellew and/or Ira Clark will attend the Selectboard's February 21, 2017 meeting to discuss.

Margy Becker provided a status report on the 'scoping' phase for the Exit 2 Sharon Park & Ride. The Selectboard has taken formal action to rule out all potential alternatives for expansion of the Park & Ride except for expansion within the State's existing right-of-way. The Two Rivers ORC Transportation Advisory Committee ("TAC") next meets March 9th, and the TAC will address the Scoping Report. The Selectboard's position will be presented at this meeting. Stagecoach Transportation also has a stake in the selection of the final alternative. Residents opposed to relocation of the Park & Ride to either the Half-Acre Motel or Durkee parcel have stated such alternatives are in violation of the Sharon Town Plan. Planning Commissioners will verify boundary locations of land use areas along Rte. 132 prior to the TAC meeting.

Peter Anderson reported the TRORC has finished preparing a new "Health" chapter to the Regional Plan. He noted that TRORC staff are preparing maps for a final regional energy plan, and he encouraged SPC members to watch for these.

Brief discussions occurred regarding how best to summarize proposed Town Plan revisions for the public's benefit prior to the first public hearing.

Sue motioned to adjourn. Paul seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Submitted by Ira Clark