

**New Marlborough Planning Board
Wednesday August 30, 2016**

Attendees:

Chair: Patricia Hardyman
Members: Mark Carson, James Mullen
Other attendees: Jane Tant (secretary)

Call to Order: 7:02 pm

Review of Minutes:

Minutes of the August 10, 2016 meeting were approved as amended.

Review of Mail:

Town of Great Barrington Notice of Decision by the Selectboard granting the special permit application of Hapman Holdings LLC for work in the floodplain to construct a solar array on Parcel 30C of Assessor's Map 36 (0 Stockbridge Road).

Continuing Business:

Ms. Hardyman reported just over 100 responses have been received to the Recreation Survey posted on-line. Board members discussed ideas to obtain more responses. Ms. Hardyman agreed to explore handing out survey information to persons leaving the Town Hall during the September 8, 2016 primary election. Members agreed to close the survey on October 1, 2016.

Ms. Hardyman led the Board in completing review of the Action Plan from the Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP) of 2004. Board members noted goals accomplished, selected several for deletion and composed revisions for others. Ms. Hardyman recorded agreed upon changes and stated she would forward a document incorporating these changes to members for their review.

Ms. Hardyman recommended all members compare the new draft OSRP Action Plan with the Action Plan from the Comprehensive Plan prior to the next scheduled meeting. The goal would be to identify any inconsistencies between the two documents.

Members opted not to add additional maps to the updated OSRP but include only updates of those previously incorporated. Ms. Hardyman stated she would request Ms. Gaherty from Berkshire Regional Planning Commission forward printed copies of the latest updates to each member for their review prior to the next meeting.

Mr. Carson presented information on an available grant source for funding bicycle path construction. After discussion, Mr. Carson agreed to contact Mr. Loring regarding his view on the best possible locations for bicycle paths.

Members discussed coordination with the Selectboard regarding formulation of Bylaws on photovoltaic installations. They agreed on the desirability of obtaining Selectboard thoughts and feedback on their major concerns prior to drafting photovoltaic Bylaws. Ms. Hardyman suggested each member draft a list of questions or issues to be discussed with the Selectboard. All agreed to include review of these questions/issues at the next Planning Board meeting. Mr. Carson agreed to forward several sample photovoltaic Bylaws to the other members prior to the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 pm.