

December 2, 2014 Minutes Rochester Planning Commission***Unapproved***

Present: Board Members Dan McKinley, Sandy Haas, Julie Martin, David Curtis, Eric Bowman, John Allen; Select Board Rep. Larry Straus; Administrative Officer Doon Hinderyckx; Public: Cheryl Harvey

Call to Order: Dan called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

New Business/Public Comment/Inquiries:

Roger McCoy was unable to attend tonight's meeting. So the discussion of his subdivision proposal was postponed until a date TBA.

Cheryl Harvey came to make the board aware of her intentions to apply for a subdivision of property she and Ray Harvey own ("Sugar House Lot"), on Middle Hollow Road between Mountain View Loop and Brook Street intersection. They will be requesting a subdivided area of at least 3 acres from their 19 acre lot (Plat# 162-63B-09). The lot is in Current Use right now, but Ray & Cheryl are in the process of ending that status. Cheryl will put in the application after Norm Smith completes an accurate survey of the proposed 3+ acre area.

Dan informed the board of a request by Vermont Fish & Wildlife to propose a continuous habitat connection across Rochester, Stockbridge & Pittsfield. They are calling it "Greens to Connecticut" with the purpose of providing a wildlife "track count" over a contiguous area. Dan will inquire about a possible joint meeting between Planning Boards of these three towns. Present members were all in favor of this plan.

Minutes: Julie moved to accept the minutes of November 5, 2014 as written. All in favor; so voted.

Administrative Officer: Doon presented the following Permit Applications:

- New "Big Town Gallery" sign. Approved by Larry Straus (Doon recused himself from review/approval of that application).
- New deck for the home of Goldsweig. Approved
- New deck for the home of Landwehr. Approved
- Bill & Karen Ross of Town Line Road are still waiting on a State Permit for a new septic system.

Old Business: None

Adjourn: Julie moved to adjourn at 6:36 PM. All in favor; so voted.

Next meeting to be held on January 6, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

John Allen