Windham Planning Commission 1/8/20

Meeting called to order at 6:33.

Present: Jeff Wheeler, Tom Johnson, Bill Dunkel, Kate Wright (meting minutes)

Bill reviewed the meeting minutes from previous meeting on 11/13.

Jeff moves to accept meeting minutes of 11/13, Tom seconded, all agreed.

Bill submitted out paperwork to Windham Regional Commission for approval of Town Plan to make sure our town plan is in sync with regional plans. Also asked for Certificate of Energy Compliance to ensure that our Enhanced Energy Plan is adhered to and respected by the Windham Regional Commission.

Bill questions whether there should be a basic guideline of zoning regulations for the public to check before referring to the complete Zoning Regulations. Suggestion to create a simple flow chart.

Bill reviews what may be included in such a doc. Jeff knows of other towns' having a checklist for zoning applications which the committee agrees would be a good place to start. Question of what requires a zoning permit ~ changes to how a property would be appraised? All agree that this doc be very simple.

Next meeting scheduled for Feb 12th. Suggestion to announce at Town Meeting that a simple document / flow chart of applying for a zoning application is being created.

Jeff will get to Bill examples of what he has seen as checklists to navigate zoning applications.

Jeff has questions about the feasibility of waste treatment plants for North and South Windham to promote economic development. Bill suggests sending this question to the Select Board. Tom asks about whether the town vision has been considered. Bill questions whether the vision should be brought up with the Select Board. The community values mapping project may have answered some of these questions. Jeff will speak with a solid waste management contractor he knows for advice. Bill suggests an agenda item on Select Board to discuss business development in the hamlets.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Jeff, seconded by Tom, all agreed at 7:17.