



**CITY OF DOVER**

## DOVER PLANNING BOARD – MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting  
Meeting Location: Council Chambers - 288 Central Avenue, Dover, NH 03820  
Meeting Date: **Tuesday, October 8, 2013**  
Meeting Time: **7:00 pm**

**Present:** Dennis Ciotti (Chair), Kirt Schuman (Vice Chair), Tom Clark, Frank Torr, Lee Skinner, Gary Green, Dave White, Catherine Plante (Alternate), Deborah Thibodeaux (Alternate)

**Members Absent:** Michael Weeden, Councilor; Dexter Tarbox (Alternate)

**Staff Present:** Christopher Parker (Planning Director), Diane Britt (Recording Secretary)

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

### 1. CITIZENS' FORUM

*Citizens Forum Open. Nobody spoke. Citizens Forum Closed.*

### 2. APPROVAL OF THE PRIOR MINUTES

- September 24, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes.

**Motion:** K.Schuman made the motion to approve. Seconded by F.Torr. Vote: U/A

### 3. OLD BUSINESS – NONE

### 4. NEW BUSINESS

- A.** Public hearing to hear comments on the City's proposed Capital Improvements (CIP) FY 2015-2020. The CIP can be found on the City Web Site at [www.dover.nh.gov](http://www.dover.nh.gov).

*Public hearing open. Nobody spoke. Public hearing recessed.*

Recreation Director Gary Bannon spoke about several projects including renovation of locker rooms in the Dover Ice Rink, total renovation of Guppy Park, and an additional allocation to improvements to the playground at Henry Law Park.

C.Parker noted a clerical error on Page 93. The total for the 6-year project at Guppy Park is not \$50,000, it should be noted as \$350,000.

G.Bannon showed a map and a 3-D rendering of what Guppy Park would look like with the improvements.

D.Ciotti confirmed with G.Bannon that the renovation to Guppy Park would include a concession stand and bathrooms.

K.Schuman asked about the expansion of the Riverwalk, that the dollar amount programmed in there has no bearing on the former pedestrian bridge. G.Bannon answered there are no funds in there related to that project.

Antonio Fernandes, Dover School District Interim Superintendent, spoke about renovating the main structure of the high school, CTC Center and athletic field, as well as increasing the technology at the high school.

Karen Taylor, Dover School District Business Administrator, spoke about needed district-wide maintenance and repairs, including replacement of the roof at the Garrison Elementary School.



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G.Green asked K.Taylor if she felt that the school had enough laptop computers.

K.Taylor stated that she did not believe so and she is planning to do an inventory of all present technology in all of the academic areas including the CTC, Automotive and Culinary, and in all other areas.

L.Skinner confirmed with C.Parker that the cost for AstroTurf in 2018 was \$500,000, not \$22.9M.

D.Thibodeaux confirmed with K.Taylor that the cost for roof replacement at the Garrison Elementary School came from a study. Discussion continued.

A.Fernandes stated that the right technology and the right infrastructure are in the plan.

K.Schuman suggested consideration of an asphalt roof on the Middle School.

G.Green requested to have Douglas Steele, Community Services Director, attend the meeting to address construction projects.

D.Ciotti commented that if any members have any questions on the CIP booklet, they should email C.Parker.

### **B. Consideration and possible posting of Zoning Ordinance Amendments.**

*K.Schuman and D.Ciotti stepped down due to owning property in the affected area. L.Skinner sat in as Chair.*

C.Parker introduced Tim Corwin who gave an overview of the proposed rezoning amendments. Amendments and power point presentation are located on the web under current reports. He stated goal for tonight is to have the Board be comfortable with posting the amendments and a public hearing will be held on 11/12/2013.

D.White questioned TOD and the sub-districts.

C.Parker elaborated on the parking requirements and setbacks for this district.

C.Plante asked T.Corwin what amendments may be controversial.

C.Parker mentioned that the most controversial amendment was Sixth Street. The amendment was removed.

Discussions continued regarding the proposed rezoning amendments.

G.Green had questions regarding making changes or additions to the amendments.

C.Parker encouraged the Board to post the amendments. He stated that the Board will have many opportunities to change the amendments and he recommended public input.

L.Skinner stated that there are quite a few amendments, but is comfortable with posting the amendments in conjunction with the public hearing process.



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T.Corwin addressed the temporary sign amendments and explained that the purpose was to provide flexibility to business owners and he thanked business owners for being in compliance.

**Motion:** D.Thibodeaux made motion to post the amendments. Seconded by C.Plante. Vote: U/A.

*D.Ciotti and K.Schuman joined the meeting.*

### 5. STAFF COMMENTS

C.Parker gave updates:

- Welcomed Diane Britt, new clerk typist to the Planning Department.
- Climate Change – Upcoming events still looking for participation. Dates left are 10/17, 10/21 and 11/7/2013 at McConnell Center.
- Recognition - C.Parker, the City Manager and Councilors received recognition for performance management and development of the master plan.
- Cecil Group - Have been retained to do a downtown pedestrian vehicular access study and there is a meeting on 10/21/2013 for public input.

### 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS-NONE

### 7. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion:** G.Green made the motion to adjourn at 8:42 pm. Seconded by D.Thibodeaux. Vote: U/A.