

**NEW DURHAM PLANNING BOARD  
Public Hearing – Master Plan  
Meeting Minutes  
New Durham Town Hall  
June 26, 2017, 7:00p.m.**

**Present**

Scott Drummey, Chair  
Bob Craycraft, Vice-Chair  
Rod Doherty, Selectman Representative  
Dot Veisel  
Terry Chabot  
Jeff Allard, Alternate

**Also Present**

Laura Zuzgo, Administrative Assistant  
Town Administrator Kinmond  
David Swenson            Joan Swenson  
Fred Quimby            Ellen Phillips  
Ed Becker                Theresa Jarvis

**Call to Order**

Chair Drummey called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**Public Hearing – Master Plan**

Selectman Swenson explained the process of reviewing and discussing the Master Plan in preparation for finalizing it. He also explained the purpose of this document, for which the update process started three years ago. Selectman Swenson presented a slideshow along with narration of the information contained within the Master Plan. Copies of the Master Plan were distributed for review.

Selectman Swenson explained how the figures were calculated, and suggested the shift from summer residences to year-round residences. A resident voiced concerns with growth that is too fast. There was also discussion about the responsibility of the Town officials and Board of Selectmen to oversee the maintenance and follow up with the document.

Mr. Allard suggested looking at the possibility of forming a board composed of members from the Planning Board, CIP, Board of Selectmen, etc to follow-up on the structure of the plan and report on progress. Selectman Swenson stated the Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator are responsible for informing boards and entities of the Plan.

Joan Swenson, resident, suggested there needs to be a form of accountability for ensuring the Master Plan is followed.

Terry Jarvis, resident, stated there needs to be a process for informing boards and committees of the information within the Master Plan and following up on the Plan features.

Mr. Becker asked how the Town reacts in the event a large corporation comes in and stated they need to be conscious of how money drives decisions when things popup. Mr. Craycraft explained there are state guidelines that help in developing regulations and limits that come in to play in situations like that. Selectman Swenson stated the purpose of the Master Plan is to help manage growth in healthy, beneficial ways.

Ms. Viesel stated there are ways for them to encourage business growth at the same time as maintaining the unique features of the Town and encouraging people to come to meetings when businesses apply.

Town Administrator Kinmond stated that the Master Plan is a good guiding tool for department heads and boards, especially when looking for ways to support planning and proposals.

Ms. Viesel asked for an explanation on the term used “collaborative” relative to road maintenance. Selectman Swenson and Town Administrator Kinmond explained this includes facilitating work to be done in conjunction with the State of NH.

Chair Drummey closed the public hearing.

Minor grammatical errors were corrected.

**Mr. Craycraft made a motion to approve the Master Plan with the minor typo corrections. Selectman Doherty seconded the motion. Discussion:** Ms. Viesel suggested adding credit to the back of the document for Mr. Swenson’s company as well as photo credits. **Motion passed, 5-0-0.**

### **Other**

Mr. Craycraft stated a response was received from the applicant on the Penny Williams case for a lot line adjustment indicating the applicant wants to move forward with the lot line adjustment. Mr. Craycraft reviewed the discussion and stipulations made at the last meeting with the applicant. Chair Drummey reiterated the application was for a lot line adjustment on a woodlot and doesn’t see a problem with proceeding as long as the woodlot still meets the size guidelines. Mr. Craycraft stated he disagreed as a woodlot has special restrictions and needs to be taken out of woodlot status before a lot line adjustment is made. Chair Drummey stated the Board also has another application for the same type of request and needs to be sure it maintains consistency. There was further discussion about the options for moving forward as well as the conditions for the applicant.

### **Adjourn**

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**Mr. Craycraft made a motion to adjourn. Selectman Doherty seconded the motion.  
Motion passed, 5-0-0.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Riel, Recording Secretary