



RUTLAND CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

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Minutes March 15, 2017

Present: Susan Schreibman (SS), Alvin Figiel (AF), Dave Coppock (DC), Patrick Griffin (PG) and Larry Walter (LW).

Also present: Tara Kelly, Zoning and Planning Administrator; Dave Cooper, Chair RRA; and Mike McClallen, DRB (by phone).

SS, Chair, reconvened the meeting of March 8 at 8:02 am.

V. OLD BUSINESS – Choose a consultant.

At the end of the March 8th meeting there were some lingering questions to pursue relevant to Orion Planning and Design (OPD). The committee sought more information about JB Hinds and her experience with Zoning. They also wanted more information about the Planning Week format being considered.

OPD provided 8 references that could speak to JB Hinds and her experience with Zoning in Vermont. They also provided 5 references that could speak to the Planning Week format and how it has worked in other communities.

Tara and Susan followed up on these references and reported out to the group. Tara spoke with 3 of the 8 Zoning references. All spoke highly of JB's depth of knowledge and experience with Zoning.

Susan spoke with 2 of the 5 Planning Week references. All said it worked well for them. They said OPD was flexible about how it was structured based on the town's needs.

Based on this additional information, AF moved to recommend to the Board of Aldermen that Orion Planning and Design be hired as the consultant for the Zoning Update project. DC seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE – none.

VII. ADJOURN

It was moved and seconded to adjourn. The meeting ended at 8:18 am.