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ORLEANS PLANNING BOARD

FEBRUARY 28, 2023 – Hybrid Meeting Minutes

A hybrid meeting of the Orleans Planning Board was called to order at 4:00 p.m. from the Nauset Meeting Room at Town Hall. **Present:** **Chairman:** Debra Oakes; **Vice-Chairman:** Alice Thomason Van Oot; **Clerk:** John Ostman. **Regular Members:** Richard Hartmann and Chet Crabtree. **Associates:** Maxine Minkoff. **Planning Department Staff:** George Meservey and **Secretary:** Karen Sharpless. **Also Present:** **Select Board Liaison:** Mefford Runyon.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments at this point in the meeting.

ORLEANS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Planning Board members discussed how to proceed with plans to update the Orleans Comprehensive Plan. Members agreed to include input from various town committees and boards and private organizations. It was noted that the Orleans Comprehensive Plan was last updated in 2006 and many aspects of life have changed through the years and need to be addressed. Planning Board members reviewed a proposed timeline of actions in order to move through the Orleans Comprehensive Plan review and revision process. Members put together a list of boards, committees and agencies that could provide input on the following existing Orleans Comprehensive Plan chapters:

Chapter 4	Land Use and Growth Management
Chapter 5	Natural Resources
Chapter 6	Economic Development
Chapter 7	Community Facilities and Services
Chapter 8	Health and Human Services
Chapter 9	Transportation
Chapter 10	Affordable Housing
Chapter 11	Open Space & Recreation
Chapter 12	Historic Preservation and Community Character

Planning Board members reviewed and discussed a PowerPoint presentation with information compiled by John Ostman and Alice Van Oot to present to boards, committees and agencies. After input has been received, the Orleans Comprehensive Plan will be updated, and presented to the Select Board with a recommendation that it be voted on at a town meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners (Richard Hartmann)

Hartmann updated Planning Board members on the progress of the sewer project and future plans.

Wastewater Management Advisory Committee (Richard Hartmann)

Hartmann reported that the Wastewater Management Advisory Committee voted to recommend that the town proceed to preliminary design on a Phase 3 sewer study. The study area to be larger than anticipated sewer area, essentially as described in Option 1, and including evaluation of non-traditional technologies. It is expected that the area to be sewerred will be smaller than the study area, and will address nutrient impacts to Crystal Lake, Pilgrim Lake and Lonnie's Pond.

Community Preservation Committee (Chet Crabtree)

Crabtree presented a list of projects to be recommended at the Annual Town Meeting for Community Preservation Act funding. Crabtree noted that the initial requests received totaled approximately \$5m and with some discussion, the total was reduced to \$1.5m.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Memorandum to Select Board with Zoning Amendment Recommendations for 2023 Annual Town Meeting

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 14, 2023

MOTION: On a motion by **Alice Van Oot**, seconded by **John Ostman**, the Board voted to approve the Planning Board minutes for February 14, 2023.

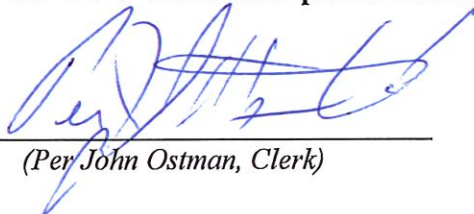
VOTE: 5-0-0 The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: On a motion by **Richard Hartmann**, seconded by **John Ostman**, the Board voted to adjourn the Planning Board meeting at 5:55 p.m.

VOTE: 5-0-0 The motion passed unanimously.

SIGNED:


(Per John Ostman, Clerk)

DATE:

3/14/23

LIST OF HANDOUTS:

ORLEANS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

- Proposed Timeline
- List of Committees to Contact
- PowerPoint slide show entitled, "Vision 2050", dated 2/22/2023

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