Foster Planning Board Meeting Minutes Hybrid Meeting, Benjamin Eddy Building and via ZoomTM Wednesday June 16, 2021

A. Call to Order

Vice Chair Warren Ducharme called the Planning Board to order at 7:09 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Planning Board Members: Michael Carpenter; Hilary Downes Fortune; Vice Chair Warren

Ducharme; David Paolissi; George Sackal (7:32); Secretary Helen Hardy.

Excused: Chair Anthony Renzi.

Staff: Michael Antonellis, Planner; Julia Chretien, Solicitor.

Town Council: David Paolino, via Zoom

Members of the Public: Joe Carey, via Zoom

C. Approval of Minutes

Mike C. moved and Hilary seconded the motion to approve the Minutes of the April 21, 2021 Planning Board meeting. Motion carried 5-0 (Mike C., Hilary, Warren, David, Helen – aye).

Mike C. moved and Hilary seconded the motion to approve the Minutes of the June 2, 2021 Planning Board meeting as corrected. Motion carried 5-0 (Mike C., Hilary, Warren, David, Helen – aye).

D. Economic Development

Hilary outlined the town wide survey that she and George developed and that the Board has seen previously. She detailed plans for advertising, and incentives. For incentives, names of people completing the survey will be put into a raffle, and eight winners will be able to choose from one of eight prizes.

Survey results will be shared on the Town website.

Mike moved and David P. seconded the motion to approve the Foster Planning Survey with a budget of \$400. Motion carried 5-0 (Mike C., Hilary, Warren, David, Helen – aye).

E. Update to Comprehensive Plan

Christopher Mason, of Mason and Associates, N. Scituate, went over the concerns that the State had detailed in 2019, and was working on revisions to address these concerns.

Mr. Mason emphasized the importance of the Comprehensive Plan, as it dictates what is in the Zoning Ordinance. He said that a change in the standards, such as setbacks, had enormous implications for the ability to build on a lot.

Suggestions to bring Foster's Comp Plan into compliance with the State's requirements included the reformatting of the presentation of information, and also to add an addendum to the Plan that details the location of items required by the State.

Mike C. expressed the need to add a three-phase distribution map, and also, 1" topographical maps. There was a discussion on the work remaining to be done.

Warren said that the work to be done should be scheduled in Future Agenda Items; Warren, Mike, and Helen [will meet to itemize work to be done]

At the next meeting the Board will set a plan for addressing items, and committees will be formed.

F. Adjournment

David Paolissi moved to adjourn at 8:34. (?) Motion carried 6-0. (Mike C., Warren, David, George, Helen – aye).

Future Agenda Items

- a. Farm and Forest Accessory Business Uses
- b. 2021 Road and Bridge Update Michael will check with the DPW director about this
- c. Finalize Comprehensive Plan

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Hardy,

Secretary