



**SPECIAL PLANNING BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
TOWN OF FOSTER
Benjamin Eddy Building, 6 South Killingly Road
Foster RI 02825
Wednesday, August 9, 2017
7:30 p.m.**

A. Call to Order

Mr. Carey called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Board Members Present: Joseph Carey (Chair), Michael Carpenter, Richard Sparks, Sergio Spaziano, and Ronald Cervasio

Board Members Excused: Helen Hardy

Staff Present: Cheryl Maynard (Planner) and Joanna Achille (Assistant Solicitor)

Mr. Carey called for a moment of silence for the passing of Planning Board Member Tom Mercier.

C. Correspondence

1) Re-notification from DEM Request for Comments regarding the Round Hill Subdivision, J & C Properties, LLC

DEM sent a second comment letter out to interested parties, asking for comments on the above mentioned proposed subdivision. They are requesting additional comments. The DEM comment letter submitted in May can be resubmitted for comments on wetlands in the Town of Foster. Mr. Carey asked if the Board has any additional comments. Mr. Cervasio stated that he thought the Board should not have a role in the decision regarding wetlands. DEM will make the decision. Since the applicant is only asking for a private road, he doesn't know what the objection would be.

Mr. Carey said that DEM's objective at this time is requesting comments on wetland alteration from the Town and any other interested abutters. Mr. Sparks asked about flooding on Round Hill Road. Project is relevant to Foster because of road access.

Mr. Carey called for a vote. Mr. Cervasio moved to forward the same comments to the Town Council, Mr. Sparks seconded. Motion approved 4-1. Mr. Cervasio opposed.

D. New Business

1) State 2018-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Public Hearing on Re-Submittal (Public hearing originally scheduled for July 19, 2017. Rescheduled due to Planning Board cancellation)

Mr. Carey opened discussion regarding the application and noted that it was the same one as last year. Mr. Cervasio requested the following projects:

- 1) Rt. 102 – between Luther Road and Briggs guard rails in need of repair.
- 2) Old Plainfield Pike – straighten road near three bends.

Ms. Maynard explained that due to turnaround time for submissions of projects, new projects can not be added for this go around, only a shifting of priorities. New projects will be looked at and discussed with DOT in the future. There was a brief discussion regarding bridges that are out in the Town.

Mr. Carey opened the public hearing. No one was present to be heard. Mr. Carey closed the public hearing and opened discussion for the Board.

Mr. Cervasio moved to send in the application as presented, Mr. Spaziano seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

K. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Joseph Carey, Chair