

**Planning and Development Committee
Minutes of April 4, 2012
6:00 PM
Hampden Council Chambers - Town Office**

Attendees:	Committee Members	Staff	Guests
	Tom Brann, Chair	Dean Bennett	William Shakespeare
	Jean Lawlis	Bob Osborne	Herb Sargent
		Kurt Mathies	Dianne McClure

1. Approval of March 21, 2012 Minutes

Approved by Consensus

2. Committee Interviews - None

3. Updates/Old Business

A. Updates

Recreation Plan – Recreation Director Mathies reports the plan is progressing well but taking time due its comprehensive nature and data collection.

Marina Project – CEDD Bennett reports:
Town and Hamlin Marine closed on the property the previous Thursday. Final Archaeological Report is being reviewed by MHPC.
Mick Rogers, Bureau of Parks has reviewed the components of application.
Betsy Poulin has begun design work on parking lot.
Application filing in the near future.

School Negotiations - CEDD Bennett reports:
MSAD 22 very cooperative in packing all relevant material to project.
Crede Associates moving forward with Phase One Environmental Review.

Child Care Use Consideration – Planner Osborne reports:
He has not heard from the interested parties as of yet with regard to their progress or intentions.

Fireworks Ordinance Draft – Committee discussed complaints received and report from Chief Rogers with regard to fireworks use in the community and the impact on animals and neighboring properties.

Committee Action: The Committee requested that Planner Osborne draft a Fireworks Ordinance that focused on two issues addressing the use of fireworks in the community and public nuisance resulting from their use.

Community Building Definition – The Committee discussed the Masonic Hall situation in that it will be vacated by MSAD 22 as its use is very limited within the current Residential B District. CEDD updated the Committee on the current use of the property and his discussion with CEO Johnson.

Committee Action: The Committee requested that Planner Osborne continue on his work in drafting language for amendment consideration in addressing the Masons issue and that of similar uses within Residential B District.

Comprehensive Plan Update – Planner Osborne and CEDD Bennett reported that they had met with the Planning Boards Comprehensive Plan Committee to discuss the Boards upcoming review of the 2010 Comprehensive Plan. Based upon their discussion with the Board, they recommended that the Council charge the Planning Board with specific tasks and focus when assigning the review.

B. Discussion: Local option exemption for residents permanently stationed or deployed for military service outside of the State. - Dianne McClure

Diane McClure requested of the Planning and Development Committee their support for the local approval of the above “local option exemption” as allowed by State Law. This Excise Tax exemption would apply to all military personnel as defined by the legislation.

Committee Action: Committee members in attendance voiced their support for the exemption if in fact the exemption, when examined, proved financially feasible to the community. Committee voted 2-0 to move request to the Finance Committee for further evaluation.

4. New Business

Committee Members voted to move to Executive Session with the following motion: “To go into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S. ss405 (6) (C) to discuss an economic development proposal”. Participants were identified as Tom Brann, Jean Lawlis, Herb Sargent and Dean Bennett. Time: 6:30pm.

Committee Members came out of executive session at 7:00pm.

Committee Action: No Action Taken

5. Public Comments – None

6. Committee Member Comments:

Committee acknowledged the donation of an historical map to the Community by an unidentified donor. Committee requested CEDD investigate the costs of framing and preserving the map for eventual display in the Council Chambers.

7. Adjourn @ 7:45pm.