

Wallingford Planning Commission

10 August 2015 semi-official meeting

In attendance: Ann Tiplady (chair), Jill Burkett and Derek Farmer

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

The first item of discussion was the Passenger Rail Plan in Vermont, which in future will have passenger trains travelling through Wallingford. Bruce Dobbins (our recent chair) has been working diligently to lobby for the train service to stop in Wallingford, allowing passengers to embark and disembark here in Wallingford. Bruce has been laying the groundwork for the Wallingford Planning Commission to be involved with the Vermont Rail Board as decisions are made in the near future for this passenger service.

Work is taking Bruce out of the country for the next year or so, and we therefore hope to find someone to take over the rail project for Wallingford in an effort to ensure that as the rail plans are developed that those plans include the passenger service stopping in Wallingford. Bruce is willing to continue participating in this project long-distance if that will help the project.

The board decided to submit a note to Front Page Forum and the Town Newsletter about this project in hopes of attracting one or more rail enthusiast to join the Planning Commission and pursue this project for Wallingford.

The second item of discussion was some minor edits to the new draft zoning that the Planning Commission would like to suggest to the Select Board. The town now has the draft zoning. Any changes must be made by the town before it becomes final. Those suggestions will be sent to the Town Administrator to forward to the Select Board for consideration.

Meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Tiplady