

HYDE PARK PLANNING COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
February 6, 2013

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Members Present: Greg Paus, Chair (GP), Vicki Emerson (VE); Rebecca Dennis (RD); Mark Issehardt (MI) and Dan Young (DY)  
Members Absent: None  
Staff: Ron Rodjenski, Town Administrator; Seth Jensen, LCPC Senior Planner  
Guests: Jack Anderson, Village Trustee; Adam Lory, LCPC Representative; Erin Carroll; Nick Lange

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GP opened the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

1. **Welcome and Public Comment** – No public comment.
2. **Zoning Re-write** – Seth reported that he has drafted two sections for review; parking and signs. The Commission reviewed the drafts. The Commission agreed that parking requirements should not be as strict as the current regulation and the new bylaw should make provisions for on-street spaces counting toward required spaces. Signs over 50 s.f. were not desirable but a new sign definition is needed. Seth will work on new drafts.
3. **Town Energy Committee** – Erin Carroll and Nick Lange were present to discuss the possible formation of a new town energy committee. Nick explained that the Home Energy Challenge, which has a goal of seeing 3% of homes in a community complete home energy conservation projects, has started but Hyde Park can still join the effort. Erin explained that the other goals of the challenge are community engagement as well as seeing benefits realized by individual homeowners. Jack asked for a flyer that the Village could mail out with the utility billings. An energy audit requires a certified consultant to evaluate the work on homes. Motion by VE to appoint Nick Lange and Erin Carroll as co-chairs of the new Hyde Park Energy Committee. Seconded by DY. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against, motion passed.
4. **Interim Zoning Bylaw** – Discussion the three areas previously discussed for a possible interim zoning bylaw; parking, PRD and signs in SIR District. The Commission felt that the current zoning work with Seth should continue and there is no emergency situation to pursue an interim bylaw.
5. **Historic Preservation Committee** – Comments are supporting a subcommittee on historic preservation rather than the more formal preservation commission have been received by the town administrator. The Valley House project informational flyer prepared by Ron was reviewed. The Commission will send in any additional questions for Ron to research before town meeting day.
6. **Approve Minutes** from December 5, 2012 and January 2, 2013. Motion by VE to approve the 12-05-2012 minutes, as written. Seconded by DY. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against, motion passed. Motion by VE to approve the 01-02-2013 minutes, as written. Seconded by DY. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against, motion passed.
7. **Adjourn** - The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Ron Rodjenski