

**HYDE PARK
TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION**

**MINUTES
April 6, 2016**

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Members Present: Greg Paus, Chair; Vicki Emerson; Kevin Fitzgerald; Eric Williams
Members Absent: Bob Malbon, Vice-Chair
Staff: Ron Rodjenski, Town Administrator
Others: Charlie Aronovici, Village Planning Commissioner; Barb Potter

Greg opened the meeting at 5:39 p.m.

1. **Welcome and Public Comment & Agenda Changes** – No changes to the agenda.
2. **Certified Local Government** – Kevin reported that he has been trying to reach Devin Coleman to invite him to the May planning commission meeting. The information on designation would then be able to reach everyone at the same time and allow for Q&A, including to what extent a local ordinance is expected to control existing properties. Kevin noted that preservation grant funds are available for both public and private properties after CLG designation. Kevin will let Ron know if Devin confirms.
3. **2012 Town & Village Comprehensive Development Plan Update**
 - a. Chapter 2 – Public Services and Community Profile – The commission discussed the existing health services offered in the community and how the current opiate epidemic is not yet mentioned in the comprehensive plan. Eric offered that the Plan could outline activities and programs that could be offered in the community to reduce drug dependency.
 - b. Chapter 3 – Education – Charlie noted that the poor school ranking in Lamoille North does result in families locating in Morrisville or Stowe or outside the county, not in Hyde Park. The school situation is changing now, so this chapter will need more work later in the update process. The goal is to complete the update by the end of the calendar year.
 - c. Chapter 4 – Energy & Utilities – Need solar power language and new Waterhouse project details and other solar sites could be mapped. More work on this chapter next meeting.
4. **Minutes** –02/03/2016 and 03/02/2016 minutes deferred to May for lack of quorum present.
5. **Other Business** – None.
6. **Adjourn** - Motion by Kevin to adjourn at 6:59 p.m. Seconded by Eric. So adjourned.

The next meeting is May 4, 2016.

Respectfully submitted by Ron Rodjenski.