

July 1st, 2013 Cambridge Planning Commission Meeting Minutes, Rev 4/4/2014

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CPC meeting notes: July 1st, 2013 Start at 6:40pm

Attendees: Jill R, Michael M, Werner B, April E- CPC members
Doug Babcock- Interested Community member, Seth Jensen LCPC

Reviewed Mail:

LCPC Designated Village Centers communication. We had questions about proposed/potential locations. These were reviewed with Seth. Jeff Village is listed as having a green. This is in anticipation of the Jolley property purchase going through. Another village ctr was id'ed that was not a village ctr.

The CPC then reviewed the Historic, Scenic and Archeological resources section of the plan.

Scenic discussion included: Wind Turbines siting in Cambridge as an example discussion point for "scenic resources" particularly ridgelines.

Jill R suggested a community survey asking folks about their feelings on wind turbines and siting.

Michael M conducted some additional research after the mtg. There are folks adjacent to Georgia Mtn. Wind that we might visit/meet with to better understand (Melodie McLane on Georgia Mtn Road- 893-2170). He also did research about minimum distances of Wind sites from homes. This may be the direction to take. Set minimum distances from adjacent property lines (not just homes- to ensure future develop-ability if desired) to ensure that neighbors are not negatively affected....

There was additional discussion about the importance of ridgeline attributes that should be considered including habitat impact, runoff, and other factors that could negatively impact and could contribute to language to be developed.

April E suggested a series of community info sessions to discuss wind and/or community energy generally. **Michael M** is hesitant about putting the PC in the middle of THAT debate. Though he does feel that there could be some way for the PC to ensure that neighbors are not negatively affected in someone does choose to develop a scenic resource and/or wind turbines.

Michael M suggested language that stipulates: " must have community input and municipal approval throughout the development process" **Seth J** will work on adding this language.

CPC then reviewed economic development section and land use section. These were final reviews and input.

Last meeting minutes were reviewed and approved by voice vote.
Next mtg set for July 15th to discuss energy section.