

JOINT TOWN COUNCIL/PLANNING BOARD WORKSHOP

**HOPKINTON TOWN HALL
One Town House Road
Hopkinton, Rhode Island 02833**

**June 22, 2009
7:00 P.M.**

Open Workshop

Council President Thomas Buck opened the joint workshop for review and discussion of the draft of the Town of Hopkinton Comprehensive Community Plan with the Hopkinton Town Council and the Hopkinton Planning Board at 6:30 P.M.

In Attendance

Members of the Town Council present were: President Thomas Buck, Barbara Capalbo and Sylvia Thompson.

Members of the Planning Board present were: Chairman Alfred DiOrio, Ray Cox, Hazel Douthitt, Joseph Escher and Donald Simmons.

Also present were: David Westcott and Krista Moravec, consultants with the Maguire Group; James Lamphere, Town Planner; Harvey Buford, Conservation Commission.

Discussion

Mr. Lamphere said he requested a joint workshop so that review of the draft would be more efficient.

Mr. Westcott said the schedule is to deliver the updated plan to the State in August.

Ms. Moravec said this is not a rewrite of the Comprehensive Plan but an update of data received from a public workshop, town survey, and meeting with town boards and department heads. They have already met with statewide planning. The goal is for a user friendly document with the 2004 plan as a reference. There is the same structure of elements with the housing element now having an affordable housing component.

Mr. Westcott said zoning is valid when backed by the Comprehensive Plan. The plan still needs some fine tuning and removal of outdated items. It contains new goals and actions.

Members of the Council asked their questions and relayed their concerns to the consultants as did others present. The consultants, in turn, noted their comments and will attend to their concerns.

It was decided that there will be another joint workshop on July 13, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. to discuss the updated draft.

Close Workshop

The workshop was closed at 8:15 P.M.

Attest: _____

Lynda St. Amour
Planning Board Clerk

Approved: _____