

Approved March 20, 2013

CORNWALL PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 20, 2013
Cornwall Town Hall

PRESENT: Geoff Demong, Jim Duclos, Tracy Himmel Isham, Jean Terwilliger, Holly Noordsy

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm. Quorum established.

MINUTES

Minutes January 16 – Jean MOVED/ Jim SECONDED a motion to approve the minutes as distributed. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of Special Meeting on VT Gas Pipeline

An informational meeting, moderated by Jim Duclos, was held on February 19 for Cornwall landowners along route options of the proposed natural gas pipeline to International Paper's plant in Ticonderoga. Adam Lougee of ACRPC presented information and answered questions. Adam L. urged landowners and the Town not to sit around and wait for the project to happen, but rather to become informed with accurate information about the project, the process and their rights.

The board discussed issues and unanswered questions that came out of this meeting. The CPC intends to work together with the Selectboard to inform the public. Jim said that the route finding meetings with VT Gas and representatives from the Middlebury, Cornwall and Shoreham that were to have taken place in January and February have not been scheduled yet by VT Gas. VT Gas would like to schedule an informational meeting for the general public in Cornwall to present the project. Jim will contact Jennifer Baker from Monkton, a Town impacted by Phase One of the project, and where landowners have organized and influenced project plans. Holly will talk with Adam Lougee regarding unanswered questions about road rights of way. People attending Town Meeting will have questions and will want to know what the next steps are, for individuals and for the Town.

OLD BUSINESS

Town Plan draft

The Selectboard has just received the complete Town Plan draft with all attachments. The next step is for the Selectboard to schedule and warn their hearing on the matter. Tracy will contact Judy Watts to inquire.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm
Respectfully submitted, Sharon Tierra, CPC Secretary