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Attendees: Commissioners Charlie Challstrom, Georgette Cole, Robert Johnson, Deborah Mehlferber, Peter Nagrod, and HPC Chairman Bob Booher, Woods Committee Co-Chairs Pat Klein and Joan Mahaffey (the latter joined us in progress around 8pm).

Call to order 7:35 pm.

Agenda, unchanged, approved by consensus.

Minutes of 17 July were approved by consensus with no changes.

We resumed with MP working draft 071719 (distributed 7/24/19) starting with Section 1.3.

Section 1.3: We discussed again the recommendation to complete a Local Zoning Map Amendment to assign FP (Forest Preserve) zoning to the East Woods parcel to provide additional protection for our Forest Preserve. The Planning Commission concluded this was still a goal we wanted to pursue so the recommendation stands. Note that the agenda item states FR zoning for our East and West Woods but the new Section 1.3 text currently refers to the East Woods which is the only one fully surveyed at this time.

The Introduction to section 2.2 (Municipal Growth Areas) was rewritten by the HPC. The PC accepted the HPC text as submitted. At the 7/17 meeting we discussed adding a fifth growth area comprising the Railroad tracks and area around them. Charlie submitted text for this which was also accepted as submitted.

We reviewed new language submitted by the WC for the Introduction to Section 5) Parks and Forest Preserve (the new Section title was approved at this meeting). The new introduction is good but the PC asked the WC to reformat the material so it conforms to the format we have used throughout the Master Plan (i.e.: bullets are saved for the recommendation sections). The Woods Committee chairs agreed to do this and resubmit before the next work session.

The PC reviewed the new language added to Section 5 from the HPC. In its 7/17 submission the HPC suggested consolidating all of the historic descriptions in Section 5, make reference in each part of Section 5 of the management issues, and then cover those management issues in Section 6. The PC agreed to try this arrangement. We started by reviewing the historic descriptions in Sec 5 making some minor changes. Charlie and Georgette will re-write the section on Zoe Park to reflect the replacement of the Gazebo. Georgette is working with the Neumann's and Alice Negin and will have new material on MacGregor Park for the 9/18 meeting. Language for Section 5 with a description of the Woods was submitted by the WC but the material was not consistent with the historical description material already accepted for the rest of Section 5. The submitted language was deemed more suitable for Section 6. A new section with an historic description of both the East and the West Woods will be co-authored by Wendy Harris for HPC and the two Chairs of the

Woods Committee. The descriptions for Maple Lake, Maple Spring and Whetstone Spring will be renumbered.

We reviewed the 7/17 Section 6 submissions. Section 6.1 Forest Conservation as rewritten by the Woods Committee was already accepted by the Planning Commission. A minor correction was made in the recommendations section. The WC may have new material to add to this section after the historic description is finished. The section will be reviewed again as needed.

Section 6.2 (newly renumbered) was rewritten by the Forestry and Beautification Committee and already accepted by the Planning Commission. On our further review two paragraphs concerning NNIs were culled as unnecessarily detailed for the master plan.

Once again it was agreed the new Section 6.3 will be “Additional Sensitive Areas” and contain:

- 1) Maple Lake
- 2) Brown Street Corridor
- 3) Ridge Road Corridor section is now largely redundant after addition of the new sections on the Washington Grove Conservation Meadow Park. A brief description of the lower Ridge buffer and its protection is all that needs to be maintained here. This will be discussed at the next meeting
- 4) The Emmons Property section will be deleted as it is now part of the East Woods and will be dealt with as such.

Georgette will integrate the current changes into a 082119 draft for circulation to Commissioners and posting to the Town web site before the next work session.

Adjourn 9:45 pm.

Our next meeting will be September 18. The next session will again review our work on Section 5 and 6, then proceed to Section 6.3.

Submitted by Georgette Cole